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## The best and the worst of 2003 entertainment

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The entertainment business certainly had its highs and lows this past year. Some celebrities received praise for their achievements while others received time in prison. 2003 was the year when the story of a lost clownfish raked in over \$300 million dollars and the Terminator became the governor of California (or Cah-leefornia as Schwarzenegger put it). It was also the year when audiences welcomed in a new generation of performers and said goodbye to legendary icons and a favorite childhood neighbor. So, here's a look back on the good, the bad and everything else in between.

What do Norah Jones, the Fab

Five, and Nemo have in common? No, they weren't among the 135 candidates running for governor of California. Instead, they were some of the best entertainers in 2003. Jones, the 23-year-old singer and songwriter, won five Grammy awards in February including best song ("Don't Know Why") and best new artist of the year. She also brought home the Grammy for album of the year.

Jones, however, wasn't the only artist making it big in 2003. Throughout the year, artists such as the White Stripes ("Elephant"), 50 Cent ("In Da Club"), and Coldplay ("Clocks") topped the music charts. And who can forget Beyonce and Jay-Z's "Crazy in Love" and Outkast's "Hey Ya!" The list just goes on.

In what it seemed at first to be

another summer of lame reality TV shows, viewers overwhelming welcomed Bravo's newest hit *Queer Eye For The Straight Guy*. Picture this ladies: five gay men, who are experts in fashion, grooming, food, interior design, and culture, transforming your sloppy boyfriend or spouse into a stylish gentleman. With lightening-quick wit and a great sense of style and culture, the Fab Five are out to make over the country one straight guy at a time.

On the silver screen, the top five movies that made the biggest splash at the box office were *Finding Nemo*, *Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl*, *The Matrix Reloaded*, *Bruce Almighty*, and *The Lord of the Rings: Return of the King*.

Finally, 2003 was a great year for the cast and crew of film *Chicago*. The

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## College searches for new professors

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New professors will soon be added to LVC's faculty. The foreign language department and the history/political science department are currently searching for prospective teachers and the English department will also begin a search following the retirement of Dr. Phyllis Dryden.

Search committees for both the foreign language and history/political science departments are right now involved in a long and tedious process to find the most suitable person for the job. The committees consist of all the members of each department and one faculty member outside of each department.

The foreign language department is searching for a new Spanish professor but is further behind in the process than history and political science. According to Dr. Angel Tuninetti, chair of the foreign language department, the search committee will select several candidates this semester to visit LVC.

The College initially begins the search process by advertising the available position in various places, such as the *Chronicle of Higher Education* and the MLA job list. The committee then reviews the resumes that are sent in and selects about 15 or 20 candidates to be interviewed at the MLA Convention.

General requirements for both departments are virtually the same. Candidates need to meet the following criteria: have a Ph.D. or are in the process of getting one and have some previous teaching experience. Other factors that are also considered include: field of study, where they did their research, teaching techniques, any publications, unique recommendations, and whether or not they fit in and balance the department.

After interviews at the MLA Convention are held, the search committees then select three to five candidates to be interviewed on campus. The history and political science department has already interviewed three candidates on campus in November and plans to interview two more candidates this semester, according to the department's chairperson, Dr. Rebecca McCoy.

Professors John Hinshaw and John Norton are co-chairs heading the history and political science search committee. According to Norton, two of the candidates so far interviewed specialize in Latin America and one specializes in African America. The candidate chosen for the job will teach such classes as Developing Nations, American Foreign Policy International Relations and Comparative Politics.

"I think all three are very capable of fulfilling our expectations," Norton said. "We're pleased with the

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## Changes to the Writing Center

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Changes in the physical appearance and personnel of the Writing Center have not changed the organization's dedication, professionalism or spirit of caring. Growing since its founding in 1998, the Writing Center now helps more students than ever achieve their academic goals.

According to a report published in October by Professor Walter Labonte, Writing Center Director, the number of tutors, tutoring sessions, and tutoring hours are on the increase. During the 2000-2001 school year, the Writing Center's 106 tutors helped clients in a total of 292 sessions. During the 2002-2003 school year, 149 tutors helped clients in a total of 1,733 sessions, an increase of 1,441 sessions in two years. With this increase in mind, the Writing Center stepped up its tutoring program this year and made some changes in the physical appearance and organization of the center.

The Writing Center's home in the lower level of the Bishop Library



The Writing Center's new red walls and decor welcome students.

received a fresh paintjob for the start of the semester. The walls are now adorned with a warm, red hue. New tables and chairs, as well as a new computer and an indoor plant were also added to the center. Veteran tutor Becca Grudzina said of the remodeling, "The computers are wonderful. I also like the addition of a second

table."

Grudzina also commented on the increasing number of students interested in the Writing Center. "It's been a lot busier this year than I can remember it being, and I've been there three years."

Many students come to the Writing

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## Candidates considered for openings in several departments continued

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search and everything is progressing fairly well."

Each candidate who has visited spoke individually to Norton's Presidency and the Congress class during their time on campus. Students from that class, mainly seniors with history and political science majors, are currently sharing their input with Norton on the candidates.

Students have several opportunities to meet and talk with the prospective professors while they visit campus. In addition to

speaking to a class, the candidates must also hold a presentation of their research. All students are welcome to attend these. Throughout this process, candidates meet with many people including the department, diversity committee and the dean of the faculty Dr. Stephen MacDonald.

After the major criteria have been carefully reviewed, the diversity committee then meets with the candidates. The diversity committee makes sure that each candidate is offered a fair and balanced opportunity at LVC.

Although each department negotiates

among its members, the search committee only suggests which candidate they feel is most suitable for the job. The Dean ultimately makes the final decision of who will be offered the position.

When the final decision is made, the candidate is offered the job and given a few weeks to decide if they accept.

"This is something that can either settle very quickly or drag on," said McCoy. "Sometimes we get it right on the first try and sometimes we have to start the process all over again."

## Writing Center thriving continued

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Center at the recommendation of their teachers.

First-year music education major Brian Montgomery said he came to the center after Rev. Dewald, his First-Year Seminar professor, suggested it to him. "Prof. Dewald really pushed it, and I didn't like the grade I got on my first paper, and I've gotten As on every paper since I've been going to the Writing Center," said Montgomery. He added, "I think the best part of it was that the tutor I worked with was very honest. He was critical without being condescending or overbearing."

Professor Labonte is pleased with the Writing Center staff. "I'm proud to be associated with such a dedicated staff of tutors and coordinators. The reason that this organization is so productive and

effective is because of all the hard work they put in to it," he said. Labonte, who is also the supervisor of English department interns and an instructor in English, assumed the responsibilities of director of the Writing Center when his predecessor, Dr. Henry Wilson, left to pursue other educational opportunities closer to his home in Tennessee at the end of the 2002-2003 school year. "Service is important to the life of any campus, and the Writing Center is a prime example of what 'helping others' is all about," said Labonte.

Sarah Butler, administrative assistant to the Writing Center, praised Mr. Labonte and the center staff's work. She said, "Mr. Labonte and all of the coordinators work hard to provide the Writing Center services to the student body." Butler, a senior chemistry education major, said "I've

worked as a tutor, coordinator, and now the administrative assistant in the Writing Center. Over those years I've seen the enthusiasm toward the Writing Center grow throughout all academic disciplines." Butler, who is student teaching this semester, handed her duties as administrative assistant over to Ellen Schin, a former Writing Center coordinator.

The Writing Center's services are available to students during walk-in hours from 6 to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday and Wednesday, and from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. The Writing Center can be reached by e-mail at wcenter@lvc.edu or by telephone at ext. 6790 to set up one-on-one tutoring appointments in all aspects of writing and academic work.

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## Around the world in 300 words

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**ET phone home:** AT&T recently announced that it would be offering unlimited international calling plans. Customers can choose to talk with someone in just one other country from a list for about \$50 per month; or a group of European countries plus Israel or a group of Asian countries plus Australia for about \$80 per month. European countries include Britain, France, Ireland and the Netherlands, while Asian countries include China, Taiwan and the Republic of Korea.

**What's its name?** Two thousand guests were on hand last Thursday to cheer as Britain's Queen Elizabeth named a new \$800 million cruise ship - the Queen Mary 2. The ship can accommodate 2,600 passengers and includes four royal suites, six penthouses, pools, restaurants, a casino and a cinema that can be turned into a planetarium. Fares for the 14-day trans-Atlantic trip run from \$4,408 to \$48,310.

**And the winner is . . .** *Time Magazine* acknowledged that the idea for this year's 'Person of the Year' award, the American soldier, came from one of the candidates for the award - Donald Rumsfeld. *Time* managing editor said that Rumsfeld did not know he was one of the top two candidates (with the soldier) when he sug-

gested that the honor be given to the soldier, although he suspected it. The magazine, with its cover depicting three soldiers, appeared Dec. 29, 2003.

**Feeling a little woozy:** Dr. Michael Horowitz, a neurosurgeon with a fifth-grade son at a Pennsylvania school, came to the school to discuss the 1875 painting, "The Gross Clinic," and brought the arm of a human cadaver with him. Horowitz opened the arm during the class to show students the nerves and other parts, causing one student to faint and others to feel ill. The doctor was surprised at the students' reactions, saying that he'd previously brought cadaver ears, eyes and even a brain to the school and had received no complaints.

**Educating students and voters:** As President Bush prepares for the election-year campaign, he is also preparing to defend his No Child Left Behind Act, the core of his education agenda. Bush feels that his plan is on the right track because positive results have been seen in scores and because the government is now asking schools to show results. Democrats have criticized Bush for requiring states to meet standards without giving them the means to do so; Bush's 2005 budget plan includes a \$2 billion increase for elementary and secondary education.

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## Football field renovated - crown finally fixed

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The entire Lebanon Valley College football field is currently being renovated, according to the director of grounds and athletic fields, Kevin Yeiser. Yeiser explained that the off-center crown will be fixed, a new pop-up irrigation system will be added, and then the entire field will be re-graded and re-sodden.

A crown is a slight lift in the middle of a field to help excess water drain to the sides of the field. Drainage is important to a football field, as it prevents flooding and lowers the amount of mud and puddles which may cause injuries.

Lebanon Valley's crown has been off-center, towards the left hash mark, since the 1980's, when the new track was added. Although the crown grew more off-center over time, there were always other things that needed attention before the football field's crown. "It was still functional," said Kathy Tierney, athletic director at LVC, "It wasn't a big impact; it was never critical to the games."

Rick Beard, assistant athletic director and director of the Arnold Sports Center, added that the school has "always been looking at re-sodding, but it has been a matter of priorities." Other projects, such as the new gym, have been higher on the

school's "To Do" list.

The new pop-up irrigation system is also something that has been considered for some time. The old system consisted of sprinklers that were moved onto the field when it needed to be watered, and then removed when it was done. These sprinklers were high off the ground, causing much of the water to evaporate before it reached the grass, in turn wasting a large amount of water. The new system includes built in sprinklers that are buried slightly below the surface of the ground. They cannot be seen or felt when not in use. On command, the sprinklers rise out of the ground and evenly distribute water to the entire field.

"(This new system) is more efficient," claimed Beard, "It will keep the field nicer." Another system that has helped keep the field nicer is the gun sounding alarm put in to discourage the geese from venturing onto the field. This system worked well until the cold weather drove the geese south for the winter.

Rumors of future plans for a turf field have been circulating among the students, but both Beard and Tierney deny such plans. For now, the football team will have to take advantage of the newly fixed crown and irrigation system.

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## The Darkness named best band of 2003 by Features Editor

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During finals week last semester, a certain LVC sophomore had just finished a particularly nerve-wracking history final, and was searching for a way to rejuvenate his rundown spirits. Finding his room empty, he quickly shut the door, walked over to his stereo and pressed play. At once the room was filled with wailing vocals, screaming guitar riffs and melodies rivaling those of any of rock-and-roll's all-time greats. The music was by the band The Darkness, and the student was launching into a spirited air guitar riff of the band's hit song, "I Believe" in a "Thing Called Love."

All right, so it was me...those of you who have heard the band will forgive me that loss of control and perhaps even understand why that scene played itself out 8 or 9 more times that night alone.

The Darkness, an electrifying rock and

roll band hailing from England, is a reminder of a forgotten age. Being fairly uneducated about '80s music, I carry little more musically from the decade of my birth than the fact that Freddie Mercury made it cool to wear spandex, a few catchy songs from the Bangles and the Police, an immense respect for AC/DC, and a dogged belief that Aerosmith is the best band of all time.

However, The Darkness is not an 80's rock band. They may look, sound and carry on like one, but they are indeed performers of the new millennium, making believers out of critics and fans out of delighted listeners everywhere.

While they still enjoy more popularity in England than they do in the U.S., the band is quickly catching on. Their transformation from a struggling, niche rock band, playing at whatever pub would book them, to international stardom, has been dramatically quick.

So what makes the band so special? There are countless '80s cover bands, and

still more bands made up of washed-up, long-haired deadbeats who reached their musical peaks in high school. The Darkness, on the other hand, manages to recall the wailing, high-octane lyrics of the 1980s...and make them new all over again. They're not doing covers, and they're certainly not doing bad imitations. They're doing honest-to-goodness, high quality rock.

In an interview on the band's website, [www.thedarknessrock.com](http://www.thedarknessrock.com), bassist Frankie Poullain says, "Everyone's too uptight these days. I hate the arrogance of bands who think their petty emotions are interesting. If you look at bands from 25 years ago, people have smiles on their faces. We're bringing a bit of that back."

The band's charismatic, wacky front man, Justin Hawkins, wears a smile, and often little else while "wowing" fans with his high-pitched, sometimes inaudible, yet altogether brilliant vocals. Like some insane cross between Freddie Mercury and Steven Tyler, sporting a wardrobe

suitable for a White Snake concert, Hawkins makes the band's music videos hilarious. They feature Hawkins naked in a bath tub on more than one occasion, battling a giant crab in the desert, and even flying in the clutches of a giant green pterodactyl. With all of this and much, much, more, the videos seem to be done as much for their shock value as for self-promotion.

And perhaps that's what music these days needs more of someone to stir the pot. I myself was more than happy to hear a new band I could finally crank up. Like the charged music of AC/DC, The Darkness has the ability to uplift the spirit as only great music can. Sometimes rock's just about showing up and having a good time, and The Darkness does that in a big way. The zebra pantsuits, the flares, and the shaggy hair add a nice touch too. You might just say that they're a big fish, and now that they've crossed the pond, they can only get bigger and bigger.

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story about two 1920s-era singing and dancing murderers swept the Oscars and brought home several gold statues including one for best picture.

The characters of *Chicago* were not the only ones doing the cell block tango this past year. 1970s TV actor Robert Blake, famed music producer Phil Spector, and pop star Michael Jackson had some run-ins with the law too.

After nearly two years since the shooting death of his wife, Bonny Lee Bakley, and a year after being denied bail, Robert Blake was released from the Los Angeles Men's Central Jail following a preliminary hearing, which took place in March of 2003. And Michael Jackson's recent time behind bars is all over the news.

On a lighter note, there were plenty of celebrity stories that made us laugh and cry and then laugh some more. Take, for example, singer Jessica Simpson who stars in MTV's reality show, *Newlyweds*, with her husband Nick Lachey. In one episode, Simpson announces that she does not eat buffalo wings because the meat comes from buffalo. In another episode, Simpson asks Lachey, "[i]s this chicken, what I have, or is this fish? I know it's tuna, but it says chicken by the sea." Apparently, she has never heard of the Chicken of the Sea brand of tuna.

If you were any of the five people who actually saw *Gigli* this past year, then here's your money and your dignity back. Not only was it the worst movie of 2003, it also simultaneously caused the postponement of the much-anticipated union of Ben

Affleck and Jennifer Lopez. Will we see more of Bennifer in 2004? Let's hope not.

Finally, there was the much-talked about kiss between pop stars Madonna and Britney Spears during MTV's Video Music Awards. While some might have found the two locking lips enjoyable to watch, others like Todd Leopold of CNN pointed out that the act seemed like a desperate attempt to boost low records sales for both of the singers.

No year in review is complete without paying tribute to the celebrities who passed away. For 2003, the list seems endless. Fans said goodbye to legendary entertainers such as Bob Hope, who made people laugh even during times of war; Katherine Hepburn, who defined the independent woman on film; and Fred Rogers (or Mister Rogers to a lot of us), who welcomed all children into his neighborhood.

Audiences also said farewell to tap dancing sensation Gregory Hines, soul singer Barry White, Oscar-winning actor Gregory Peck, Maurice Gibb of the Bee Gees, and two country music stars, Johnny Cash and his daughter June Carter Cash. The most shocking, however, was the death of TV actor John Ritter who starred in *Three's Company* during the 1970s and on ABC's current show *8 Simple Rules For Dating My Teenage Daughter*.

So what will 2004 bring? In Hollywood, who knows? It's always a surprise when it comes to the entertainment business. Let's just hope though we see more of the Fab Five rather than Michael Jackson's mug shots.



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## Best books of 2003

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While I don't always have much time to read anymore, I always enjoy a good book and 2003 provided some decent reads.

Far and away the best book of 2003 was Dan Brown's *The Da Vinci Code*, which appeared on shelves in March. An American professor, Robert, and a French cryptologist, Sophie, attempt to solve a most bizarre murder, that of the Louvre's curator right in the Louvre. In addition, the curator leaves behind a cryptic clue for his granddaughter Sophie, and the two are sent on an intricate treasure hunt for one of history's most carefully guarded treasures.

Words cannot explain the power of Brown's own words as he reveals the detailed mystery, with new theories and

explanations revealed on nearly every page. Heart-stopping danger and action are woven throughout, and even the sometimes lengthy descriptions of background material needed to understand the story are unveiled in such a way that you don't realize that you're essentially reading a textbook at times. The final climax is totally unexpected, yet, on second thought, makes brilliant sense and artfully ties together all of the plot's loose ends. This is the first of Brown's works that I've read, and I plan to go back for more, including *Angels and Demon*.

One of the most anticipated books of the year, kept under lock and key at bookstores around the world with orders not to open until July 21, 2003, was the fifth of the Harry Potter series. *Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix* appeared after a three-year drought from J.K. Rowling, but the wait didn't seem to diminish the

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## Thoughts from the editors...

Welcome back to the lovely LVC campus. Ready for spring semester? Well, ready or not, it is here. We hope you enjoyed your month off from the textbooks, papers and exams.

This week the paper is a compilation of articles written right before break that were to go in the last issue of the fall semester as well as reviews of some of the staff's favorite books, movies and bands of 2003.

Sports highlights the basketball teams and also lists the top ten LVC memorable moments of 2003.

Seniors - it's our last semester! Class of 2004, there are about 65 days of classes until that magical day in May when they give us each a diploma! Enjoy the last semester, but don't forget, you have to attend class at least sometimes to earn that piece of paper!

Lastly, here's another call out to all those interested in building their resumes, getting experience in journalism and publishing and learning how this paper actually happens. Our staff is looking for writers and for people interested in joining the editorial staff for the 2004-2005 year.

## Top books of 2003 continued

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excitement among Potter fans. The story picks up with Harry, alone at his Muggle house awaiting news of Voldemort, the Dark Lord, who returned to full powers shortly before the wizard students left Hogwarts. Albus Dumbledore, the headmaster of Hogwarts, has pulled together a group of wizards who believe Voldemort has returned called the Order of the Phoenix. The Order (and students such as Harry, Ron and Hermione who are too young to be in the Order) must battle not only Voldemort, but members of the Ministry of Magic as well, who refuse to believe that Voldemort has returned. An underlying plot is that of growing up, as readers follow Harry through a difficult teenage period, including his first relationship and the loss of someone very close to him.

As a devoted Harry Potter fan, I obviously enjoyed the fifth installment. It's one of those books you just can't put down, crammed with tons of action and an increasingly intricate plot. While the book has a certain predictability (Harry goes home for the summer, returns to school and works to fight off evil forces until his inevitable showdown with Voldemort at the end of the book), the unexpected twists and turns more than

keep things interesting. One downside is the darkness that permeates this book, making it bleaker and creepier than the previous four. This darkness also shadows Harry, who becomes the quintessential angry teenager, unlike the happy, mischievous boy of the first four years. Overall, though, Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix still ranks as one of the best books of 2003.

Other 2003 books that I perused included John Grisham's *King of Torts*, Dean Koontz's *The Face* and Hillary Clinton's *Living History*. Of the three, *Living History* proved to be the most interesting - while I didn't necessarily agree with all of Clinton's viewpoints, her memoir was still thoughtful and well-written. *The Face* was the first of Koontz's books that I'd read, and while it wasn't bad, I found it a bit odd and far-fetched; I won't necessarily be picking up another of his books any time soon. And Grisham's book was a disappointment. Again, not a bad book, just not up to his usual standard of excellent legal stories. I've heard that Grisham's latest, *Bleachers*, is also not up to par, so I'll keep my fingers crossed for his next book, *The Last Juror*, due out Feb. 3.

All in all, a decent year for books; now we'll see what this year holds.



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## Girl With a Pearl Earring on the bookshelf and on the big screen

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In a work of historical fiction named after the painting *Girl With a Pearl Earring*, Tracy Chevalier brings to life the muse that inspired one of Johannes Vermeer's best and most loved paintings. Though the true identity of the young woman wearing the pearl earring is not known, Chevalier offers a story behind the nearly 350-year-old painting that is so intimate it reads like a diary. In a story of artistic and sensual passion, Chevalier paints with words as Vermeer painted with oils. Every word, every detail counts. Nothing is wasted. And like Vermeer, she maintains a rich simplicity that is anything but straightforward.

The novel was so successful that this January, the film version, also called *Girl With a Pearl Earring*, is scheduled to appear in theaters nationwide, star-

ring Scarlett Johansson and Colin Firth. Films are notorious for not living up to the brilliance of their parent books, but this one might just be the gem among the rocks. Chevalier says on her web site that she chose to sell the film rights to Archer Street films, "a small British production company whose producers demonstrated integrity" because they were willing to "remain faithful to what they called the 'emotional truth' of the book."

If the film does uphold the "emotional truth" of the novel, and manages to create visually the strong, almost airy, presence of light that is present in Vermeer's paintings and Chevalier's novel, it has the potential to be named the next Best Picture at this year's Academy Awards. However, I won't be waiting for an award or for the reviews. After reading the book, I can't wait to see how it reads on screen.

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## Dr. King: Well-placed priorities



*This week's historical article, published on Friday, Feb. 21, 1975, highlights Rev. Martin Luther King, Sr.'s visit to Lebanon Valley College. The article is significant not just from the standpoint of his high-profile status, but also*

*because the message he tried to get across 28 years ago still seems to apply today. King spoke to his audience that night about the importance of forgiveness and living a life of principle and integrity. Both these messages, as King seems to have emphasized, are important for college students to keep in mind in the face of an often rigorous and overwhelming academic schedule. Perhaps King's words all those years ago can serve as a reminder of what really matters in life. Read on to hear what King had to say in his lecture on "Misplaced Emphasis"...*

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An overflow crowd packed the chapel

pews on January 14 to hear Dr. Martin Luther King, Sr. lecture on "Misplaced Emphasis." Father of the slain civil rights leader Martin Luther King, Jr., Rev. King spoke with simple eloquence of his love for all men and his forgiveness of those who murdered both his son and wife of forty-eight years. "I'm everyone's brother," he said, "I love you; I hope you love me."

From his vantage point as a Baptist minister, Rev. King declared that people emphasize the wrong things in all facets of life, citing education as a specific example. He spoke of his own struggles as a student, using examples to underscore his point: a man should do his best, but recognize that he cannot achieve everything. Competition and grades are not vital enough to warrant tension and exhaustion. "Don't come out feeling inferior," he said. "You are God's child."

Dr. King carried over his major themes when he spoke informally with the public at a question-answer session that afternoon in Faust Lounge. "A man should live his creed," he stressed, and said that "honesty, integrity, and personal conviction should guide any speaker."

When asked what principles he instilled in his son, King replied, "I preached love and didn't hate - so did he." Commenting next on the bitterness

of the Black nationalists, he stated that they too suffered from "misplaced emphasis," failing to see that all men are brothers regardless of color. "Have we not all one Father?" he quoted. He also mentioned that he was not discouraged about the state of Christianity today. Rejecting the "God is dead" theory, he declared that he believed just the opposite - "you can't get rid of Him by gesture and words."

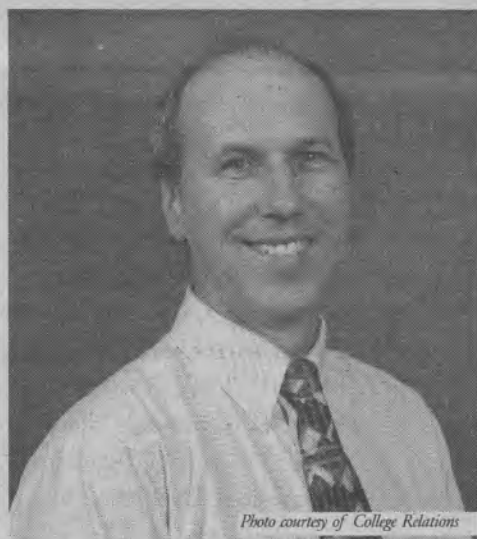


## Dr. Stan Dacko joins LVC faculty

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Dr. Stan Dacko is one of the newest members to the LVC staff. Dr. Dacko comes to LVC from Thomas Jefferson University. He heard about LVC from Roger Nelson, who also used to be part of Thomas Jefferson University. Nelson then came here. He and Dacko kept in touch, and eventually Dacko wound up here at LVC as well.

Dacko is the associate professor of physical therapy. He has been a physical therapist for 20 years and has taught physical therapy for 9 years. He attended Delaware Valley College and then transferred to Rutgers. At the time he was a biology major. After graduating from Rutgers with a zoology degree, he went to grad school to pursue marine biology. It was at that time he came into contact with physical therapists, and thus went to Boston University for physical therapy. He has taught physical therapy for 9 years and has been a physical therapist.



Dr. Stan Dacko

Dacko lives in Chester County, but grew up in New Jersey. He has lived in Pennsylvania for the past 20 years. His hobbies include playing golf, spending time with his children, and hiking and enjoying the outdoors.

When asked if he has enjoyed his experience so far at LVC, he replied, "I like the small college atmosphere. I enjoy teaching here and the closer interaction with the students. I didn't have that before."

## Galileo - actors shine, play dull

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I'll be honest - I didn't really enjoy Bertolt Brecht's *Galileo*.

That was no fault of LVC's student- and faculty- composed cast though. They did a very good job of working with the play's script, style, and unusual set design.

Before the play started, Dr. Pry appeared onstage to address the audience and explain a little bit about the play, its "Epic Theatre" style and how it fit into the colloquium. He also dedicated the Saturday performance to Mariko, Chelsey, and Mike, on behalf of the cast, which everyone in the audience seemed to appreciate.

Brecht had a message to get across, aside from simply narrating the story of Galileo's discoveries and his resulting problems with the Inquisition. A side screen showed images of nuclear destruction, as a warning of what Brecht seemed to believe could be a much bigger consequence of scientific advancement than confinement and surveillance by the Catholic Church.

Slides of Galileo's sketches also appeared on the side screen, which helped me to figure out what was going on in the scenes, because sometimes I was completely lost. I don't blame the cast for not imparting meaning to the words, because I

thought they did an admirable job; I simply think that Brecht's language was confusing.

Components of the play's "Epic Theatre" style included costumes that were simple, yet reflected the period and the character, as well as scenes that were clearly staged, to remind the audience that they were watching a play. In one scene, characters recited a chorus in unison several times. This took away any illusion that I was watching real events unfold, but it was enjoyable and achieved Brecht's goal of distance.

I found the play's set very interesting. It had a large wooden platform that three poor boys had to drag to different positions on the stage during each scene change. The different positions served to show different places, since there was little other scenery to denote the setting. The platform had a beautifully painted Earth on it, but unfortunately that wasn't visible from the seats.

I enjoyed watching the set move, seeing my professors portray members of the clergy, matching the slide images to the story, and seeing the students put their hearts into the performance, and for that I would commend the play performance. But I just didn't find myself caught up in the conflict and have little commendation for the play itself.



**LVC's Scores over the break****Men's basketball:**

12/13 vs. F&M	L, 56-77
12/20 vs. Stockton	L, 65-75
1/3 vs. Swarthmore	W, 68-52
1/4 vs. Rutgers-New.	W, 71-70
1/8 vs. Del. Val.	W, 114-79
1/10 vs. Lincoln	W, 81-65

Record: 8-4

**Women's basketball:**

12/13 vs. Neumann	W, 82-51
1/2 vs. M. Washington	W, 75-64
1/3 vs. York	W, 76-72
1/7 vs. Marywood	W, 81-51
1/10 vs. Wilkes	W, 86-61

Record: 10-1

**Ice Hockey:**

1/6 vs. SUNY-Cortland	L, 2-3
1/9 vs. Utica	L, 1-6
1/10 vs. Fitchburg	W, 5-1

Record: 6-5

Conference: 4-2

**Women's Soccer:**

11/15 vs. Moravian	L, 0-1
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Record: 11-4-4

Conference: 5-0-2

**Swimming:**

1/10 Women: King's	W, 114-92
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Record: 1-6

Men: Kings	L, 94-97
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Record: 2-4

**Athletes of the Break**Junior **J.D.**

**Byers** earned two straight MAC honor roll spots and was MVP of the Rinso Marquette Basketball Tournament.



Junior **Tamika Rogers** was also named MVP of the Marquette tourney and was named to the d3hoops.com Team of the Week.



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**Swimmers split with King's**

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Despite a layoff of nearly a month and a half, the LVC men's and women's swimming teams put in strong performances in a meet with King's on Saturday.

The women's team earned their first victory of the season with a decisive 114-92 win, while the men nearly scraped out a win, dropping their meet 97-94.

On the women's side, the Valley won all 11 of their events. Freshman Danielle Kern won the 500 and 1,000 freestyle with classmate Lynn Donmoyer also taking two of her own in the 50 and 100 free. Other individual winners were Kristen Stichler (200 free, 2:27.20), junior Joanna Tiedeken (200 IM, 2:44.69), sophomore Sam Meglino (100 fly, 1:16.70), sophomore Jenn Kush (100 back, 1:11.65) and freshman Hannah Plimpton (100 breast, 1:18.21).

The women's side also took the 200 medley relay with Kush, Plimpton, Meglino, and junior Shanalyn Sweigart hitting the wall first, as did the 200 free relay

team of Julia Falkner, Donmoyer, Kush, and Sweigart.

The men's team earned four victories, including two from sophomore Isaac Greene in the 200 IM and 500 free. Freshman Matt Woods took the 100 fly



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**Sophomore Isaac Greene, who won the 200 IM and 500 free in the meet with King's**

while Woods, senior Adam Demchak, sophomore Cory Hackman, and freshman Mark Orndorf placed first in the 200 free relay.

The meet, originally scheduled for Saturday afternoon at LVC, had to be moved to King's due to on-going equipment problems with the college's pool. Neither team had competed since Nov. 25, with a meet in December with College Misericordia cancelled due to poor travel conditions.

Both teams return to action Jan. 24 in a double-dual meet with Lycoming and FDU-Florham at Lycoming.

**Ice hockey dumps Fitchburg State 5-1**

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The LVC ice hockey team managed to pick up its first win of the new year in a big way, with a 5-1 win over Fitchburg State Saturday afternoon in Fitchburg, Mass.

The Dutchmen outscored Fitchburg 3-0 in the first period and never trailed, despite being called for 15 penalties. The Icers' penalty-killing held, however, not allowing a goal in 54 penalty minutes.

Freshman goalie Ben Gray

picked up the win with 28 saves.

The Valley had five different scorers, with senior Anthony Pace, sophomore Jason Slusher, and senior Doug MacCormack netting goals in the first period.

After being shut out in the second, the Valley added two more insurance goals thanks to sophomore Chris Finnerty and freshman Anthony Lattanze.

Sophomore Cameron Vandever pitched in with two assists, while Pace, Slusher, and MacCormack each had one apiece.

Shane Coleman scored Fitchburg's lone goal at 7:23 in

the second period. Nick Hanks stopped 16 shots in taking the loss for the Falcons.

LVC capitalized on one of their four power plays, while Fitchburg was stumped on the afternoon, going zero of 11.

With the win, the Dutchmen improved to 6-5-0 and 4-2-0 in the ECAC Northeast while the Falcons fell to 3-8-0 and 1-4-0 ECAC NE. Next up for Lebanon Valley is Saturday against Assumption in the first LVC ice hockey game at the Giant Center. The puck drops at 1:30 p.m.

**The Valley Tally: Catching up from the break****Men, women b ballers take Marquette tourney titles**

Both the men's and women's basketball teams captured Rinso Marquette Tournament championships at LVC over break. The men, who defeated Swarthmore in the first round 68-52, beat Rutgers-Newark in a nail-biter of a title game 71-70. Junior J.D. Byers, who earned tournament MVP honors, hit two free throws with 4.8 seconds left to give LVC the win. It is the third straight tournament title for the men's team.

The women's basketball team won the inaugural women's version of the tournament with a dramatic 76-72 overtime victory over York College. Junior center Jennifer Northcott scored 18 points and pulled in 17 rebounds off the bench in the win, while Tamika Rogers was named tournament MVP with 19 points and nine boards.

**Cagers earn conference, national honors**

Junior forward Tamika Rogers of the women's basketball team and junior guard J.D. Byers of the men's basketball team earned a variety of honors last week. Rogers, who was named MVP of the Rinso Marquette Tournament, was named Commonwealth Player of the Week and also named to the d3hoops.com Team of the Week. Byers, also MVP of the men's tournament, was named to the MAC Weekly Honor Roll for his performance in the tournament and again the next week for his play in wins over Lincoln and Delaware Valley.

**Icers set to make Giant Center debut Saturday**

The LVC ice hockey team will make their debut in the Giant Center at Hersheypark this Saturday. The game, against Assumption College, is set for 1:30 p.m. Parking will be free for LVC fans, and tickets will be sold next to the main box office on the day of the game. The Giant Center replaced the Hersheypark Arena as the home arena for the AHL's Hershey Bears.

**Burley and Wochtl earn ECAC Northeast honors**

Sophomore Joe Burley and freshman Andreas Wochtl of the ice hockey team earned ECAC Northeast conference honors on Dec. 10 for their play in a win over Plymouth State, 2-1. Burley picked up the Goalie of the Week distinction by stopping 21 of 22 saves, while Wochtl scored one goal and one assist en route to being named Rookie of the Week.

**Ice hockey drops a pair of games over break**

The ice hockey team lost a pair of games last week to SUNY-Cortland and Utica College. In the 3-2 loss to Cortland, the Dutchmen went out to a 2-0 lead in the first period before giving up three unanswered goals to lose the game. Sonny Holding stopped 31 shots in the loss. In the 6-1 decision against Utica, LVC's lone goal came from Jeffrey Smith at 14:12 in the first period, with Joe Burley stopping 38 shots.

**Marek, Keller snag All-American and All-Region honors**

Senior tight end Scott Marek was named an All-American by a third organization over break, this time by being named to the d3football.com All-American First Team on Dec. 23. Marek was previously honored by *Don Hansen's Weekly Football Gazette* and by the College Sports Information Directors. Meanwhile, sophomore kicker/punter Kevin Keller was named to the ECAC Division III Southeast All-Star team after leading the MAC in punting and finishing just three extra points shy of LVC's single-season record.

**Upcoming sports broadcasts****Men's Basketball:**

Jan. 19 vs. Scranton 6:45 p.m.

**Ice Hockey:**

Jan. 17 vs. Assumption 1:15 p.m.

<http://wlvradio.org/sports>



# Basketball teams roar into new year undefeated

## Men start 2004 with four in a row

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The men's basketball team is red hot to start 2004, with two wins last week over Delaware Valley and Lincoln stretching their win streak to four.

The Valley was led in both games by the superb play of junior point guard J.D. Byers, who scored 46 points combined in the two games as well as dishing out nine assists combined. For his efforts, Byers was named to the MAC Honor Roll for the second week in a row on Monday.

Against Delaware Valley College last Thursday, the Dutchmen dominated from the outset, receiving scoring from all 14 players who participated in the 114-79 win. Their point total was just 11 shy of the school record, and it marked the first time the Dutchmen passed the century mark since a 104-78 win over Wilkes in 1998. It marked the team's highest offensive output since 1997.

The big story against Delaware Valley was LVC's three-point shooting, which was nothing short of scorching.

The team shot 13 of 26 from beyond the arc, including six treys from Byers and four from senior Evan Harlor. The Dutchmen also out-rebounded the Aggies 61-34, a school record, and also set a record for field goals attempted with 82.

Del Val led 6-5 two and a half minutes into the game before LVC went on a 19-2 tear over the next five minutes, eventually taking a 57-38 lead into half-time. Their lead grew to as much as 33 in the second half after an 18-2 run and 41 points late in the game.

The Valley followed up Thursday's blowout with another win Saturday against Lincoln University. Byers scored a season-high 26 points while Harlor added 19 to give the Dutchmen their fourth win in a row.

Byers' performance put him just 31 points shy of becoming the 27th member of LVC's 1,000-point club.

Junior forward Steve Buzinski

also played well, contributing 10 points, five boards, and two blocks.

The Dutchmen never trailed after Buzinski's layup with 16 minutes left put them up for good.

With the pair of wins, the team improved to 8-4 overall, and remain 2-0 in the conference. Next up is a trip to Susquehanna Saturday at 3 p.m.



Junior guard J.D. Byers, who scored 46 combined points in two games last week.

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## Women off to best start in program history

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For the third season in a row, the women's basketball team is off to a red-hot start after their pair of road victories last week against Marywood and Wilkes. This time, it's a record.

The 10-1 Dutchmen, off to the best start after eleven games in program history, have not lost since Dec. 6 against Messiah.

In their 81-51 win over Marywood last Wednesday, the

Dutchmen were led by freshman Allie Butler, who earned her first career double-double the hard way with 16 points and 10 assists. Junior center Jennifer Northcott added 14 points and nine boards, while junior forward Tamika Rogers scored eight and had seven rebounds.

The key factor for the Valley, though, was freshman forward Monica Johnson, who came off the bench to notch her first career double-double with a career-high 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Against Wilkes on Saturday, Johnson was once again integral, coming off the bench to score 12 on 6-of-7 shooting while Northcott led LVC with 19 points. LVC shot a season-high 50.7 percent in the 86-61 win. The team also forced 25 turnovers and stole the ball 15 times, including seven from junior Erin Eaby, tying her career-high.

With the two wins, the women's team has now scored better than 80 points in six of their 11 games so far this season.

The Dutchmen remain 1-1 in the Commonwealth Conference. Next up is Susquehanna on Saturday afternoon at Selinsgrove. Tip-off is set for 1 p.m.



Junior center Jennifer Northcott, who scored 19 points against Wilkes Saturday.

Photo courtesy of Sports Information

## Top ten: 2003 a memorable year for LVC sports

The year 2003 was a memorable one for Valley sports. There were plenty of individual and team honors. Here we present the top ten, as picked by the *La Vie* sports staff, listed in chronological order.

**January 5**—The men's basketball team wins the 11th annual Rinso Marquette Basketball Tournament with a nail-biting 76-72 double-overtime victory over Richard Stockton College.

**January 29** - Senior Darren Pugh's 12th rebound against Juniata makes him LVC's all-time leading rebounder, surpassing Andy Panko with 828. Later that season, Pugh would break the

1,000 career point milestone against Susquehanna.

**February 22** - In the final men's basketball game in Lynch Gymnasium, point guard J.D. Byers banks in a half-court at the buzzer in overtime to tie the game and send it to double-overtime. The Dutchmen would go on to win the game over Messiah to clinch the final spot in the Commonwealth playoffs.

**March 5** - The ice hockey team routs Curry 6-2 in the ECAC Northeast semifinals to advance to the conference championship game for the third consecutive season.

**March 9** - The women's basketball team wins their first ECAC South championship with a 71-66 win over Swarthmore to cap off an outstanding 21-6 season.

**November 4** - The women's soccer team defeats Moravian 1-0 at Herbert Field to advance to the Commonwealth Conference championship game after finishing the regular season undefeated in conference play.

**November 5** - The new LVC Gymnasium opens its doors to athletics events with the volleyball team dropping a 3-0 decision to Moravian in the semifinals of the Commonwealth

playoffs. It later hosts its first basketball game on Dec. 6.

**November 8** - Freshman Heather Rishel wins the ECAC Division III cross-country women's individual title in a season-best 22:54.93, 41 seconds better than her previous faster time. Rishel would later be named MAC Female Cross Country Rookie of the Year.

**November 22-23** - The NCAA Division III field hockey championships are held at LVC, with Salisbury College winning the national championship. The event gives the Valley national exposure with a story about it later airing on CBS.

**December 23** - Senior tight end Scott Marek is named a first-team All-American by d3football.com and *Don Hansen's Weekly Football Gazette*, and a second-team All-American by the College Sports Information Directors. He becomes the first All-American in program history.

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## Practice goes on despite lack of heat

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While many collegiate swim teams return early from winter break for training sessions in Florida, head coach Mary Gardner creates "Florida at the Valley" for her team.

Though the team is familiar with the difficulty of Gardner's workouts, they returned on Jan. 4 to a much greater obstacle and challenge - the main pool in the Arnold Sports Center was unusable. The pool pack unit, which heats both the deck and the water in the pool, broke, causing the air temperature to drop to 53 degrees, and the water temperature to 67 degrees. NCAA regulations dictate that water temperatures must be between 79 and 82 degrees for any aquatic event.

"We first experienced a break in the pool pack in November," Gardner said. "When the pool was installed in 1986, there was no air conditioning in the unit - just a heater and dehumidifier. The pool pack heater was too much for the size of the pool, which forced the dehumidifier to work harder than it should

have. Over the past 16 years, the system has taken a beating, and we have been having real problems for the last two or three years," said Gardner.

The Sports Center has tried several methods of temporarily repairing the pool. Last Wednesday, a furnace was placed on the deck of the pool to heat the air, and a "squirrel cage" was placed on the pool pack to heat the 185,000 gallons of water in the main pool. It is unknown as to whether or not this will be a successful fix, allowing the pool to be reopened.

LVC signed a contract for a brand new system with Dectron Internationale. The Dectron system will cost \$250,000. However, this system will not be usable until the spring or summer because the system will take 10 weeks for delivery, and the installation of the system will require breaking through a wall to remove the old system, said Gardner.



The pool in the Arnold Sports Center experiences heating problems.

Meanwhile, said women's captain Julie Falkner, "Our swimming family has truly become the proverbial 'fish out of water.' With the pool being close to arctic temperatures, we have had to make our workouts continue in whatever way possible. We've done everything from body pump to yoga with creativity being a necessary ingredient. This is an unfortunate situation that we are trying to make the best of. But while the team waits to regain our 'chlorine fix,' we can only hope that we won't have to finish out our season in a dry spell."

Some swim team members have found

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## Volunteers found among students

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LVC students have a bad rap to some in the community. Many residents of Annville and the surrounding communities have a bad perception of students based on the actions of only a few individuals. A little loud music or a weekend party can sour public opinion of the whole student body. But, if community service is any indication, Annville should be very appreciative of student contributions.

The Quittapahilla Watershed Association, a nonprofit organization created in 1997 and closely involved with the Quittapahilla's stream ecology and the Quittie Park, frequently relies on student volunteers to support its activities.

Dr. David Lasky, professor *emeritus* of psychology at LVC, who actually started the Quittie Park and the Watershed Association, points out that students have been involved in the organization projects for years. He has no difficulty finding volunteers for projects in the vicinity of his office in Garber.

Lasky recalls the recent Pumpkin Walk at the Quittie Park, in which LVC students have participated for the last seven years. The event offers local families a fun and spooky alternative for Halloween fun.

Although an adult usually ran the Pumpkin Walk in the past, students took over this year, Lasky said. The students were in charge of setting up the trail, acting as guides and setting up activities along the way. They also came up with an idea for a kind of interactive walk. "They set up a table with a storyteller. As the storyteller would tell his story, he would get the students names. Then, somebody would run and tell the names to a fortune teller further up the trail," Lasky said. There was also a tray on a table with a head "underneath" it, as well as numerous carved pumpkins.

In addition to Halloween, LVC students are involved in many other Watershed Association projects. One of the main goals of the organization is to stabilize the banks of the Quittie against slow erosion. According to Lasky, this is done by placing rocks along stream edges and planting live stakes. Live stakes are small trees planted along the stream bank to create a root system to lock in soil. Students have participated in both of these activities for years.

The areas around the creek also require some

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## Walking tour of LVC reveals a museum of living treasures

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As they go about their busy academic lives, many LVC students may have no idea that their campus is a museum of living beauty. With hundreds of trees and shrubs accenting the landscape of the Annville campus, LVC is a veritable garden of knowledge and enjoyment. In fact, the entire campus is an arboretum. Dr. Susan Verhoek, director of LVC's arboretum, said, "What an arboretum is, is a group of trees and shrubs that are specially selected, and we get records of them as much as possible - where they came from, and how long they've been

growing."

With hundreds of trees growing on LVC's campus, the arboretum has an extensive selection of trees. Dr. Verhoek said that many of the trees were planted before the 1930s, but that many recent plantings, like the cherry trees across campus, have swelled the ranks of the arboretum. "We're still adding to them. We added over 100 cherry trees a few years ago, and we're doing more plantings as the lakes on the north side of campus are going to be fixed up," said Verhoek.

According to Verhoek, the college originally began planting trees for the purpose of education, not just aesthetics. "One of the functions of an arboretum ... is education, and I think

what we have here is a chance for students to see a lot of different kinds of trees right in this small area," said Verhoek.

Every tree has a story, Verhoek said, "I can't really pick a favorite." However, the two oldest trees on campus, said Verhoek, are the oaks in front of the Garber Science Center. "(Garber) used to be the site of a men's dorm, and those two trees were on both sides of the main walk," stated Verhoek. Another tree that has an interesting history is the Dawn Redwood, or *Metasequoia glyptostroboides* at the north end of Vickroy Hall. Originally discovered as a fossil, scientists found the Dawn Redwood living

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## LVC swim team still practicing continued

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alternate methods or pools to practice in, men's swim team captain Adam Demchak said. "Myself and a couple other team members have joined the YMCA on Main Street. I did it because I'm a senior, it's my last season, I have qualified for MAC Championships and I really needed to get back in the pool."

In addition, Gardner said, "The Swim

Team will persevere, people who have already qualified for MAC's will hit and swim their times without much interference. It will affect the people who are close to qualifying times." Gardner has made arrangements for the team to practice at Franklin & Marshall College and Cedar Crest High School.

The other organizations that use the pool, including the Lebanon Valley Otters, an

age group swim team that comprises 170 team members, and the public patrons of the Sports Center are dealing well with the unusable pool. The Sports Center has not received complaints from these groups, who pay a significant fee for the use of the pool. They have been filling the exercise classes in the Wellness Pool, and utilizing the activities the school offers, as well as the fitness center and indoor track.

## Trees around campus beautiful and serve a purpose continued

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in the interior of China in the years following World War II.

"It's a little bit akin to Jurassic Park to actually having something that was thought to be extinct come back to life," said Verhoek. "And this is a very ancient species of trees." The Dawn Redwood came to LVC in the late 1940s or early 1950s. According to Verhoek, the tree was probably one of the first Dawn Redwood seedlings grown in America at the Harvard Arboretum. These seedlings were then distributed to colleges and parks across America, said Verhoek.

On Arbor Day last year, Verhoek was assisted by Student Action for the Earth, SAFE, in planting new trees for the arboretum. She said that SAFE is interested in helping with further projects for the arboretum, including an Arbor Day planting project this year. Verhoek likened the arboretum to a museum with a con-



The group of evergreen trees on N. College Avenue belong to Lebanon Valley College's own arboretum. The arboretum extends across campus and includes such trees as Sugar Maples, Elms, and Oriental Cherries.

stantly-growing collection. "We have a collection, it's just that our collection is living instead of being like one in the art museum," she said.

Brochures and a Web site tell the story of the LVC arboretum and list a 21-location walking tour that showcases the best plants the arboretum has to offer. Mike Gregory, a senior music recording technology major, designed the arboretum Web site with the help of LVC alumni Derek Euston and John McGlinchey. "The Web site is an online version of a self-guided walking tour," said Gregory. "The pictures of the trees and the descriptions from the pamphlet were then posted on the Web site," he said. "The Web site also includes information on trees that were donated as gifts to the campus, or dedicated in memory of a particular person," he added. The Web site URL is <http://csunix1.lvc.edu/~mgregory/gem>. Brochures containing information about the LVC arboretum and the walking tour are available at the Mund College Center Desk.

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**How many Chileans does it take to break a world record?** Almost 9,000. Sunday, 8,890 Chileans joined together in Santiago to break the world record for kissing. Streets were blocked off and men and women, mostly in their 20s, locked lips for at least 10 seconds to set the world record for the largest number of people kissing simultaneously. With over 4,400 kissing couples, the Chileans took the record from the Canadians, who previously set it in 2000 with 1,588 couples.

**And you thought glowworms were cool** A lawsuit by two public interest groups has a federal judge in California deciding whether genetically altered fish should be allowed as house pets. Fluorescent zebra fish are the first pet of this type to hit the market. The lawsuit asks that the judge order the FDA and Department of Health and Human Services to halt the sales of the trademarked GloFish. These normally black-and-silver fish glow bright red under black or ultraviolet light thanks to a gene transplanted from a sea anemone. If you want one as the latest edition to your fish tank, you better get them before the glow is gone.

**Starbucks hits the streets of Paris:** Starbucks finally opened its first Paris

store on Thursday, Jan. 15, six years after it first started entering European countries. The store's CEO expressed both excitement and caution for the opening. He fears that the French culture of cheap coffee enjoyed for hours will have a hard time enjoying Starbucks high-end, fast-food atmosphere. Only time will tell if France will become another fan of the Seattle-based café.

**Kodak to sell digital cameras only:** Eastman Kodak Co. announced this week that it will stop selling traditional cameras in the United States, Canada and western Europe. This is just another attempt by the company to move more toward the digital age that has taken the world by storm. Kodak moments are no longer what they used to be; now you can immediately delete them if you don't want to remember after all.

**The Producers just keeps getting better:** Broadway fans were thrilled when Nathan Lane and Mathew Broderick returned to the Mel Brook's musical at the end of the year. Now, rumor has it that Kelsey Grammer will join the show when Lane and Broderick leave in the beginning of April. With the star's long-running television show, *Fraiser*, fading away from popularity, Grammer is apparently looking for other avenues, and may just find one in the Big Apple.

The author used [www.msnbc.com](http://www.msnbc.com) as a source.



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## Students volunteer at Quittie Nature Park continued

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more traditional maintenance. LVC students are frequently involved in trash pickup and removal from the areas in and around the Quittie. Students also help mulch trails throughout Quittie Nature Park. According to Lasky, this mulch consists of ground up Christmas trees recycled after the season is over. Students break out shovels and help to spread it along the trails.

Students are also helping to combat an invasive species to the park. These plant

**It's (student volunteering) very significant — they're here and I'm here.**

—Dr. David Lasky

species are unwelcome and affect the growth of other native species. "They come out a lot and pull out mustard garlic. This past Dutchman Day, students helped pull out two entire trash bags full of the weed," Lasky noted.

In addition, LVC organizations have become involved with the work of the Watershed Association, including the women's basketball team, which has spent some weekends over the years working hand-in-hand with local citizens planting trees along the Quittie.

LVC has also been able to take a more academic approach to volunteering. The LVC biology department has taken an active role in the ecology of the stream

for many years. Under the direction of professors like Dr. Paul Wolf, the college has monitored microorganisms living in the Quittie for years. These microscopic creatures are indications of the overall health of the stream. In addition, the LVC chemistry department has monitored water quality throughout the years, frequently taking tests along the banks.

The Quittapahilla Watershed Association monitors and tries to improve the creek and its banks throughout Lebanon County. The Quittie is a small part in the watershed that drains into the massive Chesapeake Bay. By assisting with the efforts of the Association, LVC students are helping improve the streams from here to the Bay.

When asked to sum up LVC's volunteer involvement with the Watershed Association, Lasky responded, "It's very significant, they're here, and I'm here." The massive student involvement over the years should indicate that students will step up when the organization is in need of help in the future.

Whether they are dressing up as goblins, depositing mulch, pulling weeds, testing water, or planting trees, LVC volunteers are providing a great service both to the Quittapahilla Watershed Association and the surrounding community.

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## Freddy vs. Jason falls on its face in an effort to become a horror battle of epic proportions

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### Writer's note:

Freddy vs. Jason was released on New Line Cinema Platinum Series DVD on Jan. 13, 2004.

Honestly, I have never been a die-hard fan of either the *Nightmare on Elm Street* series or the *Friday the 13th* series, and frankly, who really is anymore? Most of the original fans from the 70s and 80s (the decades when these horror films dominated) have grown up and established families, occupations and lifestyles where this type of picture is not really of interest anymore. Now this type of entertainment is only oriented toward the extreme horror enthusiasts of the two separate film series and the rebellious and immature teens who are just out to sneak into an R-rated gore-fest and get their expected fair share of cheap scares and T & A.

After Freddy Kruger (Robert Englund) has been intentionally forgotten on Elm Street, he awakens Jason Voorhees (Ken Kirzinger) and sends him to Elm Street to wreak havoc on Freddy's old hunting grounds. After numerous murders by the ghoulish goalie-masked menace, Freddy's name naturally comes up as the expected assassin, and fear spreads as fast as high-school gossip. This causes the knife-fingered, feared and freaky Freddy to regain enough power to yet again return to his old neighborhood for yet another killing spree. It becomes a killing competition, and jealousy comes into play between the two villains when Jason keeps hacking away at Freddy's fresh stock of victims—naturally it ends in a bloody battle between the badass hockey-faced hacker and the badly-dressed, bloody-faced slasher who, in this film, likes to say "bitch" a little too often.

Let us now pause and recollect the vast majority of the unsuccessful movies that have contained the word "vs." in them. There is the more recent flop *Ballistic: Ecks vs. Sever*, the highlight of Tom Hanks' career, *Joe Versus the Volcano* (Can you sense the sarcasm there?); and quite possibly one of the worst films ever committed to film, *Zombie! vs. Mardi Gras*. Oh, and of course we cannot forget all of the classic *Godzilla* pictures – i.e. *Godzilla vs. Mothra*, *Godzilla vs. the Smog Monster*, *Godzilla vs. Destroyer*, etc. And now, *Freddy*

*vs. Jason* can be added to this list of poor, pathetic and pitiable pictures. The only "vs." battle I am looking forward to seeing is *Alien vs. Predator*, which is set to creep into theatres on Aug. 6, 2004.

In *Freddy vs. Jason*, oddly enough, the big-breasted bimbos and their moronic boyfriends get more screen time than the title characters of Mr. Kruger and Mr. Voorhees. And speaking of the cast of characters, why is Kelly Rowland in this movie? This member of the three-girl singing squad, Destiny's Child, and the girlfriend of the well-known rapper,

**Let us now pause and recollect the vast majority of unsuccessful movies that have contained the word vs. in them.**

Nelly, only serves as a mere prop for the "dark meat" quote and nothing else – she possesses absolutely no acting skills whatsoever. And the two main characters, Will (Jason Ritter, who happens to be the son of the now departed John Ritter, R.I.P.) and Lori (Monica Keena, who has the same Calista Flockhart-looking lip thing going on that Rachel Dratch so accurately depicts on NBC's *SNL*), are played by two actors who have definite future film potential even though they chose to be in a poor picture that obnoxiously and sadly features a computer-generated caterpillar smoking marijuana. But hey, Josh Hartnett got his start in the "scary" movie, *The Faculty*, and the absolutely horrendous horror film, *Halloween: H20* – and look at him now.

If this movie collects more revenue, after its fair and undeserving gain at the box office, through DVD sales, New Line Cinema will further flood the cesspool of horror film sludge in the form of sequels with a *Freddy* prequel and possibly, if New Line can purchase the rights to the *Halloween* series, a three-way brawl of *Freddy vs. Jason vs. Michael*. The bottom line is, if or when you are indecisive at the rental store, and are given a choice between *Freddy vs. Jason* in your right hand and any other film that you have the slightest bit of interest in seeing in your left hand, I'd say go with whatever your left hand holds.

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## Medeski Martin and Wood: jazz at its best

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Although a jazz fanatic I am not, I listened to *Last Chance to Dance Trance* (perhaps) with an open mind, and I have some really good things to say about it.

Medeski Martin and Wood is a Brooklyn-based band, formed in the early 90s, and is composed of a bassist, a keyboardist and a drummer. Let me tell you, these guys have some incredible skill. Their chemistry is something that leads you to believe they have been playing together for 50 years, but these guys are actually only in their 30s.

The Hammond organ sound that Medeski uses in some of the tracks on this disc sends the songs back into the 70s, but then he goes from the organ to a bright piano and completely blows the socks off the listener. The raw talent this man has is unbelievable.

However, the only thing that's better than the piano riffs are the bass solos, which are – let me tell you – out of this world. The sounds Wood evokes from his 1920s upright give the music the needed-

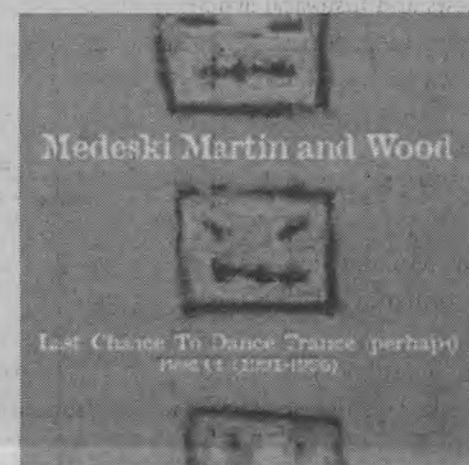
## When Trumpets Fade: a movie about the realities of war

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The U.S. government omitted any and all negative aspects of World War II to "protect" the citizens of the United States, and the glory of the American war hero prevailed on the homefront.

Despite how unethical this sounds, the U.S. government made the correct move in censoring the true life of a soldier.

*When Trumpets Fade* is a movie based on a true battle in World War II. The char-



Last Chance to Dance CD cover

acters are fictional, but the true barbarity of war is agonizingly factual, and the true life of a soldier, censored by the U.S. government, is brought to light.

lower register while the piano is carrying the higher.

Of course, what can I say about the drummer? With barely any meter, he keeps everyone together and the band running smoothly. Maybe I do have a complaint or two ... some of the songs are a little repetitive for someone not used to jazz. And a few songs sound like they're just banging on their instruments like 5-year-olds. But these are only a few songs. Go out, get it, borrow it, see what you think. As for me, I'm enlightened and really happy with the whole CD.

The story takes place at Hurtgen Forest, just before the famed Battle of the Bulge, beginning with the main character toting a severely wounded man on his back. He ends up killing this wounded man to end the man's pain and suffering; both points would have certainly been censored. At this point, the main

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## Thoughts from the editors...

We hope that everyone is starting to get into the swing of things again as we finish our second week of the semester, and that everyone enjoyed their long first weekend.

In this issue, we take a look around campus, with the pool at the Arnold Sports Center and campus arboretum highlighted, and also off campus to the Quittie Nature Park and student volunteer efforts there.

Be sure to also check out the features pages, where you'll see not only the usual reviews and historical article, but also two editorials concerning the mass media and the ways in which they shape our view of

the world.

Once again, we'd like to invite all students to join us in the La Vie office, Mondays at 6 p.m. We've seen a good turnout so far this semester, but we can always use more writers and more minds to help us generate more ideas. In addition, it's not too early to start thinking about editorial positions for the 2004-05 school year. The majority of this year's staff will be graduating in May, so we'll need people to step into those roles next year. If you have any interest in being part of the paper in any way, please e-mail us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com), or come down and see what we're all about.

## Security Log

\* On Monday, Jan. 12, a student was found intoxicated in Hammond Hall, and was transported to a local hospital.

\* On Tuesday, Jan. 13, a student reported that a guitar was stolen from his unlocked vehicle in the Fencil parking area. The loss was estimated at \$250.

\* On Friday, Jan. 16, the housekeeping staff reported that a cigarette urn was missing from the Keister Hall area. The loss was estimated at \$476.

\* On Monday, Jan. 19, Public Safety assisted the Cornwall Police Department with a student who was involved in an accident on Route 322. No injuries were reported.

## The "Santa-Clausation" in history and the mass media: Is there an end?

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Everybody knows the legend of Santa Claus: a jolly fat man with a bushy beard who comes down chimneys, drops off gifts and has an affinity for milk and cookies. In our eyes and hearts as children, the man could do no wrong. That is until we were all traumatized with the realization that everything we knew about him was fake and concocted.

History and the mass media take a similar stance with certain individuals. We were all taught this rhyme in elementary school: In 1492 Columbus sailed the ocean blue. In those days, we all had this Santa Clause-like view of the "first man to find the New World," and we all loved the extra day off we got because of it.

But, just like Santa, that view of Columbus turned out to be bogus. A few years later we find out that Columbus

wasn't the first to think the world was round, and that - oh, by the way - he wasn't the first to find the Americas either. Further still we find out that this fabled Indian-lover in fact participated in the massacre of thousands.

Doesn't sound like a guy you would want to invite to your next party, let alone teach your children to heroicize. Kind of puts a damper on the whole National holiday thing, doesn't it?

Then why do history and the media keep pulling the wool over our eyes? In the words of Dr. John Hinshaw, assistant professor of history at LVC, "If our heroes are worth having, then we shouldn't have to lie to ourselves about them."

The media has a tendency to do this to more recent figures too. Remember Jessica Lynch, the young private-made-prisoner by the Iraqis and then dramatically rescued by U.S. Special Forces? In reality, Lynch's army maintenance com-



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### This weekend at LVC

**Friday, Jan. 23**

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\* Comedian and Ventriloquist Lynn Trefzger

Leedy Theater, 9 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 24**

\* Snow tubing at Blue Marsh - sign up in the Red Book at the College Center

**Sunday, Jan. 25**

\* Colloquium film: *Inherit the Wind*  
Allen Theatre. 1:30 p.m.

pany fell into harm's way when, to quote a fellow soldier, it made a wrong turn on a road that "you'd have to be really f-ing dumb to get lost on."

In addition, the media's embrace of the soldier is further questioned when you consider the story of Shoshana Johnson. Johnson was captured along with Lynch. After being shot through both legs, she still limps today. In addition, she actually spent more days in captivity, being freed 12 days after Lynch when U.S. forces located her.

Why then does the media choose to highlight Lynch? Why is she greeted with movie and book deals and Johnson isn't? Finally, why isn't the everyday American presented with all the facts before pinning Lynch as a hero?

The answer to this question is almost impossible to answer, but the power of the media isn't.

As the media continues to globalize

more and more each day, the issue of what to and what not to tell the masses is continually in question. According to the Hypodermic Needle Theory of the mass media, "If one can create the right message with the right media mix, one could get the masses to follow heedlessly." This kind of sounds like what has happened with Columbus and Lynch.

According to Noam Chomsky, Professor of Linguistics at M.I.T., "Any dictator would admire the uniformity and obedience of the (U.S.) media." Professors here train teachers and journalists to enter their prospective niches in society. Once there, these individuals must ask themselves this question: Is it right to "inject" children and the masses with only specific facts? Will the journalists and teachers of tomorrow be as obedient as the ones today with presenting the selected facts? Is there an end in sight to the "Santa-Clausation" of individuals?



## Moratorium Day at LVC

**Campus, Area Efforts Meet With Success**

*This week's historical article, printed on Friday, Oct. 24, 1969, gives campus-level details regarding LVC's participation in a nationwide Viet Nam war protest known as the Moratorium. The protest took place on Oct. 15, 1969, and was originally slated to include only protests within college campuses. However, many businesses closed down, and large portions of communities joined in the protest as well.*

*On LVC's campus, students attended faculty-run panels, memorials, and even a march for peace in Lebanon. As shown in the photo, the students wore armbands as a symbol of their frustration with the Nixon Administration's handling of the situation in Viet Nam. Read on to find out more about the events that took place that day, as well as some of the details of the national impact of the Moratorium.*

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October 15th was different things to different people. To some it was a day of "foolishness," perhaps "shame and betrayal." To the apathetic it was another Wednesday with perhaps a lighter load. But to those who participated in any way in this day's antiwar activities, it was an experience, educational and rewarding.

At LVC, of course, the student reaction registered a good deal of apathy. But through whatever medium the student was acquainted with the Moratorium - campus publicity, class discussion, television, or radio broadcasts - the student must have realized that he was witnessing or participating in the largest anti-war demonstration the nation has ever experienced. It is hoped that it meant more - that he not only became aware of the strong public desire for peace, but also examined his own position regarding U.S. involvement in Viet Nam and asked himself "Why?" For this was one of the aims of the Moratorium on a campus-wide, community-wide wide, and nationwide scale; to call attention to the ever-increasing public sentiment demanding withdrawal, and to confront each individual with the tragic dilemma that is Viet Nam.

Was the Moratorium a success? On the national level - yes. It effectively and peaceably showed the strength of the antiwar ranks, and the diversity of the supporters. Despite statements to the contrary, Nixon has felt the impact, evidenced in his dismissal of Hershey, promises of more withdrawals, announcements of plans to speak to the nation on Viet Nam in November, and tentative reports of a ceasefire.

On the LVC campus, the Moratorium partici-



pants, too, deem October 15 a success. Many students for the first time became aware of the complexities of withdrawal, especially brought out in the discussion led by Dr. Fehr on Tuesday night. Also very informative was the movie on defense spending shown Monday night. The discussions held Wednesday afternoon in Carnegie, led by the Lewins and Dr. Troutman, as well as the panel held later by Dr. Fehr, Dr. Kilgore, and Mr. Thompson were well attended and very informative. Many faculty members participated by either canceling classes, serving on panels, or holding discussions on the war during class time. Faculty response to the Moratorium was positive, and the petition calling for "excused cuts in order to participate in the Moratorium activities" was passed by the faculty with only three dissenters.

Perhaps the most dramatic event of the day was the much-disputed Peace March through Lebanon on Wednesday morning. Chairman Bob Weller carried through a well-organized and solemn procession of 150-200 students dressed as "straight" as possible and preceded by the American Flag. Marching three abreast, "guarded" by Lebanon policemen, the procession proceeded in silence to the post office where Dr.

Wethington proffered a prayer for peace. The effect on the citizens of Lebanon (the marchers were met by relative silence) was, at worst, neutral.

The canvassing and distribution of copies of Goodell's bill at shopping centers went well, according to Greg Thomas, chairman. Many LVC students also traveled to Dickinson Wednesday afternoon to participate in the march on the War College. Those participating declared this a "real experience."

All students were confronted with at least one grim aspect of the Viet Nam War through the reading of the list of war dead, held on the chapel steps. This effective proceeding began at midnight, October 14 and concluded at midnight on the fifteenth.

The day's activities were concluded with a Memorial Service for the War Dead in the College Chapel.

What now? The Moratorium Committee is organizing for next month, paying special attention to the Student Mobilization Committee's proposed March on Washington on Nov. 14 and 15.

## When Trumpets Fade depicts war continued

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character develops the attitude of "survival of the fittest," and states that he will never "take a bullet for another man." He only cares for his own survival, which was an attitude shared by many men who fought in the war. Along with this, the soldier's goal is to leave the army and go home.

The movie proceeds to show the fighting, which takes place during a "push" into the enemy lines. For every "push" that the main character survives, many of his fellow soldiers are massacred. Consequently, he is promoted from private all the way to lieutenant.

At the final "push" of the movie, the main character, in a vain effort to eliminate tanks, is wounded when he attempts to save one of his squad members from being shot. He later dies while being carried on the back of one of his squad members. The irony is portrayed in true Hollywood fashion when depicting the scorching reality of war.

An unknown fact about U.S. involvement in World War II is that most soldiers, until the last year of the war, had never experienced combat. "Only a small fraction of the 16 million Americans who served in the armed forces actually saw combat" is a startling statement found in the book, *Who Built America?* on page 496. Perhaps that fact contributed to the large number of U.S. citizens not understanding the true inhumanity of war.

However, the government's ability to censor the war was much more influential in shaping Americans' perception of World War II.

An example can be found in *Who Built America?*. There, a picture on page 496 of a soldier killed in action contained this caption: "Until September 1943, government censors blocked the publication of all photographs showing dead American soldiers," it stated. "After that, censors continued to withhold many pictures ... that did not, even in death, conform to the heroic image of the American fighting man."

The government, being fully aware of how Americans would react if they knew the uncivilized reality of war, was forced to censor this evi-

dence to maintain the war's popularity. If Americans knew the truth, the government might lose almost all of the support for the war that they had worked so hard to promote.

Ernie Pyle, who sat in the foxholes with the soldiers, is quoted on page 497 as reporting some of the only evidence of the war's traumatic events.

"We see from the worm's-eye view, and our segment of the picture consists only of tired and dirty soldiers who are alive and don't want to die ... of shocked men wandering back down the hill from battle ... of smelly bed rolls and C rations ... and of graves and graves and graves."

"Unethical" or "immoral" could possibly describe the government's action of hiding the truth from its people who were accustomed to demanding the truth from its leaders. However, one might tremble when contemplating what could have happened had the American public known the truth, and no hypothesis could ever state that the American people would not be affected by the truth. Everyone was affected by the war.

In any hypothetical situation, there might be a public outcry and significant decrease in the support for World War II. Then again, the war was far away. The war was not on American soil. Maybe exposing the public to the realities of war would have made no difference to the morale or outcome. We will never know.

What we do know is that the government would never have allowed *When Trumpets Fade* to be shown in a movie theater during World War II due to its graphic depiction of the realities of war. However, the question that must be asked as to why this movie would be censored is this: Must the American public be protected from the "truth?"

In reality, most Americans will choose to allow censorship to some degree in order to preserve the belief that the United States of America is the "land of the free and the home of the brave," whether it be illusion or reality. That, my friend, will never change.





### LVC's Scores: 1/11 - 1/19

#### Men's Basketball:

1/13 vs. Moravian W, 74-58  
1/17 vs. Susquehanna W, 77-70  
1/19 vs. Scranton L, 84-79  
Record: 10-5  
Conference: 4-0

#### Women's Basketball:

1/14 vs. Moravian W, 67-59  
1/17 vs. Susquehanna W, 83-63  
Record: 12-1  
Conference: 3-1

#### Ice Hockey:

1/13 vs. Utica L, 3-4  
1/17 vs. Assumption W, 7-4  
1/18 vs. Franklin & Pierce W, 8-1  
Record: 8-6  
Conference: 6-2

### Athletes of the Week

Junior thrower  
**Mitch Nyman**  
broke LVC's record  
in the weight throw  
with a heave of 38-9  
1/4 at LVC's invite.



Junior guard  
**Erin Eaby** scored a  
team-high 16 points  
in women's basket-  
ball's win over the  
Crusaders.



Photos courtesy of Sports Information

## Basketball plows past Susquehanna, 83-63 Eaby tallies 16 points, five steals

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It doesn't seem to matter who has a hot hand on any given night for the women's basketball team. They just seem to get it done as a team.

That was the case Saturday at Susquehanna, where the 12-1 Dutchmen dumped the Crusaders 83-63 in a Commonwealth Conference match-up. Junior guard Erin Eaby scored a game-high 16 points and registered five steals while freshman guard Allie Butler added 15 points and had a game-leading eight assists in the win.

The victory extended LVC's winning streak to seven games. The team hasn't lost since their first home game against Messiah back on Dec. 6.

LVC received scoring from 10 different players in the game, with the bench receiving a generous amount of minutes as the game developed into a blowout before the halftime buzzer even

sounded. The Dutchmen led 47-21 at the break, after outscoring the Crusaders 12-2 over the first five minutes.

The Dutchmen never led by less than 20 in the second half, going up by as much as 32 points with 12:15 left in the second after a lay-up by Terri Faust.

The 83-63 scoreline also marks the seventh time this season that the Dutchmen have broken the 80-point plateau, and they are averaging a conference-best 76.5 points a game. They also hold the conference-leading margin of victory with +16.5 points.

The win was a valuable one for the women's team, who find themselves in the midst of the most difficult stretch of the season. After the win Saturday, the Dutchmen faced off against 11-3 Widener on Tuesday night at home, then will travel to a surprising 9-4 Elizabethtown team Saturday. The biggest test comes Monday, when the team travels to Baltimore to face No. 13 Johns Hopkins.

## The Valley Tally: Dutchmen honored

### Byers reaches 1,000 career points, also player of the week

Junior guard J.D. Byers scored his 1,000th career point last Saturday in men's basketball's 77-70 victory over the Susquehanna Crusaders. Byers becomes the 27th player at LVC to reach the milestone. Valley's team-leading scorer was also named as the Commonwealth Conference Player of the Week.

### Eaby earns place on Middle Atlantic honor roll

Junior Erin Eaby was named to the Middle Atlantic Conference Honor Roll this week after totalling 35 points last week. The guard scored a team-high 19 points in women's basketball's win against Moravian last Wednesday and led the team with 16 points in their romp over Susquehanna on Saturday.

### Dutchmen fall players named to All-Academic teams

Thirty-seven of Lebanon Valley's fall-sport athletes were recently named to the Middle Atlantic Conference All-Academic teams. Honorees must have a minimum 3.2 grade-point average and sophomore class status:

**Cross Country:** Seniors Jeremy Rea and Jessica Sweitzer; juniors Alissa Byerley, Caitlin Flinn and Shannon Gamble; sophomores Josh Kiner and Jeff Slomski.

**Football:** Senior Roger Poorman; juniors Mitch Nyman and Dan Zilinski; sophomores Zach Buffington and Luke Rendine.

**Field Hockey:** Senior Jen Selin; junior Lindsey McCormick; sophomores Courtney Abbott, Sam Peterson, Missy Shultz and Kym Weed.

**Women's Soccer:** Seniors Sarah O'Connell and Amber Spell; junior Lisa Giaquinto; sophomores Jess Conrad, Abbey Esbenshade, Renee Kitchenman, Christy Puthawala, Ilyse Resnick and Jessica Stoltzfus.

**Men's Soccer:** Senior Taylor Reinhard; juniors Nick Buckwalter and Fran Pitonyak.

**Women's Tennis:** Senior Amora Cook; sophomores Sophia Kwon, Jenny Larson, Amanda Lubold, Sam Meglino, Adrienne Nye and Johanna Scarino.

## Ice Hockey team nets fifteen goals in two games over the weekend

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Merrit. Assumption rallied before the end of the second period, picking up two goals of their own, cutting the Dutchmen lead to three.

In the third, the Dutchmen saw their lead dwindle further as Assumption scored with just under five minutes remaining in the game. The Valley pulled away in the waning moments, as Rummel picked up his second point of the day to close out the game. The victory was a key win for the Dutchmen, as it catapulted them into a second-place tie with Curry in the ECAC Northeast.

On Sunday, the Dutchmen returned to the comfort of the less dazzling, but always dependable Hersheypark Arena to take on Franklin Pierce College in the second of two conference games over the weekend.

The Dutchmen got off to a fast start, as freshman Andreas Wochtl scored just over seven minutes into the first period off an excellent face-off win by Chris Finnerty. Lebanon Valley kept things going as Vandever scored his second goal of the weekend and first of the game off a great setup by Wochtl just five minutes later on the powerplay.

Finnerty picked up his second point of the day at 17:21 of the first period, as he took a great feed in front of the net from Mike Kuzmuk to give the Valley a 3-0 lead. Ed Tudrick also picked up his first point of the season, getting an assist on the play.

Before the first period could end, Vandever struck once again on the powerplay with just two seconds left to give the Valley a 4-0 lead. And as if scoring with

two seconds left wasn't spectacular enough, Vandever scored the goal while being knocked down from behind by a Franklin Pierce defender.

In the second, Franklin Pierce struck first just 1:13 into the period. Unfazed by the goal, the Dutchmen answered less than a minute later, as Rummel converted a breakaway opportunity thanks to a great feed from Jason Slusher. The Dutchmen added two more tallies to their total before the end of the second period, as both Beatrice and Brendon Herr scored to give the Valley a 7-1 lead heading into the final stanza of the weekend.

In the third, Franklin Pierce tried to stir things up a bit with some dirty play, including a dangerous check from behind on Slusher and an attempted and embarrassingly failed attack on the LVC bench by a Franklin



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

**Sophomore Cameron Vandever scored two goals and had one assist in hockey's win against Franklin Pierce on Sunday. He also scored one goal in the victory over Assumption, Saturday**

Pierce player. The latter of the two incidents occurred with about eight minutes to play in the game. Following a whistle, both teams were changing lines when out of nowhere Duke Kelly, of Franklin Pierce, began trying to

fight any Dutchmen he could on the ice. When this attempted buffoonery failed, Kelly focused his idiocy on the LVC bench but was brilliantly tackled by an official.

Once the scrum on the ice was broken up and play resumed, the Dutchmen continued their domination and added an eighth and final tally to their weekend total of 15 goals, as Pace scored his first goal of the game and third of the weekend. The goal was one of four powerplay goals the Dutchmen scored in the game. The victory placed the Dutchmen in sole possession of second place in the ECAC Northeast.

Next up for Lebanon Valley will be a daunting seven-game road trip from which they will not return home until Feb. 21 when they take on Stonehill College.



## Ice hockey picks up two 'Giant' conference wins

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Keeping in mind that first impressions are always the most important, the Lebanon Valley College ice hockey team went out on Saturday and pleased a sizeable crowd in their Giant Center debut against the Assumption Ice Dogs.

The Dutchmen made their first-ever appearance in the one-year old facility because of a scheduling conflict at Hersheypark Arena, the team's usual home. Before the game, Lebanon Valley head coach Al MacCormack voiced his opinion on getting the chance to play in the new home of the Hershey Bears by calling it "an honor" to be able to play a regular season game at the Giant Center.

As for the game, the Dutchmen did not disappoint as the Valley got their first of seven goals on the day just over the midway point of the first period. Senior Anthony Pace blasted a slapshot over the glove of the Assumption netminder to give the Dutchmen a 1-0 lead. Four minutes later, however, Assumption would answer, tying the game at one. The Dutchmen would strike again before the end of the first as

once again Pace knocked home a rebound on the doorstep to give the home team a 2-1 lead.

In the second, the Valley opened things up, reeling off four straight goals to take a 6-1 lead. First, Cameron Vandever picked up a goal just 45 seconds into the period. The goal was a bit of an unusual one, as it was actually put in the net by an Assumption player. Vandever was trying to make a centering feed to a teammate, but his pass was blocked by a diving defenseman who then slid into the goaltender, knocking the pair of Assumption players into the net along with the puck.

The goal swung the momentum pendulum to the Dutchmen, as they would pick up another goal two minutes later off the stick of Doug MacCormack, who made a great play in front of the goal to beat not one, but two defenders before lifting a backhand under the crossbar.

Alex Beatrice kept things going for the Valley, as he potted his fourth goal of the season from fellow freshmen Andrew Rummel and Anthony Lattanze. Scott Eberenz later pushed the Dutchmen advantage to a five-goal margin, as he tipped in a shot from the point by Ryan

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## Six-game win streak over

### Valley shooters fall to Scranton

Commonwealth Player of the Week just hours before the game, split two defenders to put down a layup with 1:55 remaining and pulling LVC within one. A seesaw ending ensued, with Scranton's Mike McGowan coming the other way and hitting a long-range trey less than half a minute later to put Scranton up by four. Another Byers's layup cut the lead to two, but free throws from Brian O'Donnell and Michael Riccobono iced things for the Royals.

For the Dutchmen, Byers finished with a team-high 21 points, including 8-of-8 free throw shooting and nine assists. Harlor had 19 points including four treys, while O'Donnell paced Scranton with a game-high 24 points.

Free throws were a major factor, with both teams fouling early and often. Combined, they went to the line 61 times, with the Dutchmen shooting 18-of-25 and Scranton going 23-of-36. Bench points were also critical, with Scranton's deep squad giving them a 46-15 advantage in that category.

Next up for the 10-5 Dutchmen will be a trip to Elizabethtown on Saturday for a 3 p.m. game. Scranton improved to 2-12 overall with the win.



Senior guard Evan Harlor scored 19 points in men's basketball's loss to the University of Scranton on Monday, including four three-point baskets.

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half.

Both sides traded buckets until a technical foul on Scranton's Patrick Clabby halfway through the first half fired up both benches, leading to a blistering balance of the first half and a slim 2-point LVC lead into the break.

The game stayed tight in the second, but a 7-1 Royals run early in the half gave them a 56-54 lead. Down by six with just under four minutes left, senior Evan Harlor drained a three to cut the Royal lead to three, and junior J.D. Byers, who was named

All good things must come to an end. The men's basketball team found that out the hard way Monday night with a heart-breaking loss to the University of Scranton, 84-79.

Against a hungry team that was in the midst of a dismal 11-game losing streak, the Dutchmen came out strong and fast. Scranton stayed with them, though, with neither team leading by more than six points in the first

## Dutchmen tracksters run away with wins at LVC invite

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Track season is off and running at the Valley after the Dutchmen opened with the LVC Invitational last Saturday.

The Dutchmen, host to nine other teams including Juniata, Howard and York College, took six individual victories, two relay wins and broke a school record in their first meet of the season.

No team scores were kept.

Junior Mitch Nyman broke an five-year-old LVC record in men's weight throw with a 38-9 1/4 heave, and placed second. Nyman eclipsed the old mark by one foot and six inches.

The men's distance squad also made an impressive show-



Senior distance runner Jeremy Rea captured the 1500 at the LVC Invitational on Saturday with a time of 4:31.23. Rea was also part LVC's first-place 3200 relay team.

ing. The 3200 relay team of senior Jeremy Rea, sophomore Josh Kiner and freshmen Ryan Letsche and Ryan Webber clinched a victory with a time of 2:03.9, and Rea also notched an individual win in the 1500, breaking the tape in 4:31.23. Another freshman, Jim O'Brien, recorded an 18:22.6 time to take first in the 5000, and Letsche ran the 800 in 2:20 taking second.

Junior Matt Hauk won the 400 in 55.6, and finished second in the 55 hurdles behind an 8.1 second time, while sophomore Jimmy Buckson placed second in the pole vault (12 feet).

On the women's side, sophomore Kelly Hilbert made it a double 400 win for the Dutchmen, breaking the tape in

1:07.5. She later joined classmate LaToya Stewart and freshmen Jamie Reynolds and Brittany Dukeman to win the 800 relay in 2:03.9.

Reynolds also won the 800 (2:39.1), and freshman Kodie Morrison took third in the 1500 with a time of 5:55.08.

Several women also made solid showings in the field. Freshman Mandy Warner (7-6) and sophomore Christy Puthawala (7 feet even) went 1-2 in the pole vault, while senior Lisa Landis (32-9) and Stewart (32-2 3/4) went 2-3 in the triple jump. Landis also finished second in the long jump with a 15-2 1/4 effort, and Stewart cleared 4-10 to take second in the high jump.

Freshman Amy Hartman also notched a second-place finish with a 32-8 3/4 throw in shot put, while senior Jamie Moyer recorded a 27 1/2 inch effort for fourth place in the weight throw.

The Dutchmen will compete in the DuCharme Relays at Dickinson this Saturday.

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## Cold weather tips

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While walking across campus during the past couple of days, you've probably either heard someone say this or said this yourself: "It is so (add expletive here) cold outside."

Well, it's true. It's extremely cold outside and there is no sign yet of milder weather.

According to News 8's chief meteorologist Joe Calhoun on Monday, there will be partly sunny skies on Thursday with a high of 36 and a low of 20 degrees. On Friday, there is again a chance of freezing rain mixing with snow and the high will only be around 32. For the weekend, it will be partly cloudy on both Saturday and Sunday with highs in the upper 30s.

Since it looks like the freezing temperatures will be sticking around a bit longer, here are some helpful tips for dealing with the winter weather. Wear layers —

not only when you're inside, but also when you're outside. By wearing layers indoors, you will be conserving energy by not having to crank up the thermostat. If you are heading outside, don't forget to protect any exposed areas of the skin such as the face and hands. You don't want frostbite.

Also, be careful when driving in bad weather. According to LVC's handbook, commuting students and faculty members will not be penalized for missing classes if the weather is too hazardous for driving. For more information regarding inclement weather, see page 109 of the handbook. In addition, for all drivers, make sure you clear the chunks of ice and snow off your car roofs, as well as your



Photo by Annalouise Venturella  
Snow and freezing temperatures do not stop these students from getting to class. While other schools in the area either delayed opening or closed because of the inclement weather, LVC still held day classes on Monday and Tuesday.

windows. These loose pieces can fly off when driving, thereby endangering the drivers behind you on the road.

Finally, avoid any prolonged exposure to the winter elements, and keep your hair, skin and clothes as dry as possible. This will keep you from getting sick.

With these useful tips, everyone will be able to handle the cold weather and look forward to spring, which happens to be just over 50 days away.

## Kutztown professor wants to create "new society"

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Martin Luther King Day celebrates and reflects on the life of a man who inspired millions by arguing that no one should be "judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character."

Reflecting on King's achievements, Dr. Joseph Ampry Jr. of Kutztown University says that although minorities have won significant freedoms cherished by all Americans, the society at large has far to go to become the land of equality and diversity envisioned by King.

In his speech at LVC on Jan. 20, Ampry described the racial situation as he saw it, and highlighted paths he believes Americans should take to achieve a color-blind society.

Ampry began with a summary of the life of Martin Luther King and discussed King's strengths as well as his weaknesses.

Ampry said King fell into his role as the leader of the civil rights movement

following Rosa Parks' famous refusal to move to the back of a segregated bus for a white passenger.

King's abilities became famous worldwide, leading to his 1964 Nobel Peace Prize. King's talent was leading non-violent protests against racism, similar in nature to Mahatma Gandhi's struggle for Indian independence, Ampry said. Famous King quotations reveal his dedication to fighting for justice peacefully.

Ampry said he often reads King's quotations for inspiration.

"One of my favorites is if it comes to you to be a street sweeper, sweep streets like Michelangelo painted and sculpted. Sweep streets like Shakespeare wrote poetry," he said.

Ampry continued his lecture with other background on racial problems, explaining that northern Europeans are historically favored and dominant.

Although times have changed, he added that race is still a divisive issue even among minorities.

"The real problem is that minority

groups don't unite. Most non-WASP groups identify with WASPs and fight other minorities. Minorities have an upper-class concept that being a WASP equals being wealthy," said Ampry. But, he continued, "King understood that all minorities had to work together. King got into trouble when he began talking about uniting all poor people," Ampry said.

Ampry also highlighted another major problem minorities share.

"There's a concept of womanhood among minorities that makes men fear intelligent women. Black males fear educated black women. This unfortunate problem is shared by Hispanic males and is especially strong with Muslim males," Ampry said.

Ampry proposed several solutions to the continuing racial divide in America.

"You've got to think about how other people think. Understand the opposite view, and know why people feel differently than you," he said.

"Love your heritage. If you're a WASP,

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## LVC installs card swipes

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Over winter break, LVC installed two new card swipes on Vickroy Hall, giving students access to the back doors.

"I'm glad there are card swipes on the back doors now," says Deidra Kreiser, a junior and resident of Vickroy. "Now we don't have to walk around to the front door to get in."

However, there are some doubts concerning the card swipes. "Keys are more convenient than the card swipes," says Kreiser. "Now we have to carry our I.D. cards everywhere, and if they stop working, we have to pay to replace them."

The card swipes are part of an initiative aimed at improving safety on campus. According to Jon Wescott, director of residential life, card swipes are safer than keys. "Cards are simpler to deactivate," Wescott explains. "If someone loses a key, is it really lost? Should we change the locks and issue new keys to all residents? Whereas if someone loses a card, it can be deactivated in a matter of seconds."

LVC plans to install card swipes on all dorms. "We have made card swipes a priority," says Wescott. "We're hoping to finish at least one per year, but we don't have an exact timetable." Currently, Dellinger, Marquette, and Vickroy are the only dorms that have card swipes.

## APO visits Renova Center

Courtesy of Alpha Phi Omega

On Saturday, Jan. 17, eight brothers of the LVC Alpha Phi Omega, Nu Delta Chapter, visited the Renova Center in Lebanon to celebrate the 41st birthday of Gerry, a resident of the center. The Renova Center is a nursing home that cares for disabled people suffering from life-long illnesses.

The celebration with cake and birthday cards was just one of the many service activities APO participates in as a co-ed service fraternity. These community services are just some of the many ways the brothers of APO use their time and talents to better the world in which we live.

If you would like more information concerning the service activities of Nu Delta Chapter or are interested in becoming a brother, please contact the chapter vice president of service, Andrew Rohrer, at arr001@lvc.edu or the chapter vice president of membership, Randi James, at rajames@lvc.edu.



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## A week in politics

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Could a whooping, hollering former Vermont governor become the next President of the United States?

The truth is stranger than one might think. As the United States faces another presidential election year, pundits are already forecasting various Democrats' chances for the White House and commenting on George W. Bush's own chances in November. Key election topics include the war in Iraq and the continuing fight against terrorism, the economy and struggling job market, and health care.

Several major election events punctuated last week.

On Monday, Jan. 19, Iowa Democrats become the first people in the nation to select their candidates of choice for the Democratic nomination for president in the Iowa caucus. The complicated, community process selected the number of electors each candidate will receive at the Democratic convention this summer.

When the dust settled, pundits and voters alike were surprised by the results. The media's longtime favorite, Howard Dean, came in third place with only 18 percent of the vote. Amazingly, little-known Sen. John Edwards finished second with 32 percent, showing a comeback from single-digit

polling the week before.

Finally, John Kerry, who floundered in the polls just a few days before, won with 38 percent — a clear victory.

Coupled with his well-publicized whooping incident from the previous day, Dean's poor showing began to convince several pundits that he should pull out of the race, while the media began to portray Kerry as the man to beat.

The very next night, President Bush delivered his State of the Union address. He stressed that the Iraq war was proceeding as expected, and defended the economy, although he did not explain the job losses during his administration, losses some Democratic candidates have estimated at three million.

Bush defended the Patriot Act, asking that it be renewed to allow law enforcement expanded powers to investigate Americans suspected of terrorism or terrorist ties. He then gave a laundry list of accomplishments in Iraq: the capture of Saddam Hussein, the captured and killed Iraqi staff members and the captured and killed al Qaeda members.

He reiterated his belief that the action against Iraq had defended American security and hinted that his policies had convinced Col. Qadhafi to open his country to nuclear inspections for fear of possible U.S. invasion.

Domestically, Bush praised the pre-

scription drug coverage through Medicare that he supported and signed into law over the summer. He defended his tax cuts and said they have led to the current economic rebound that is in full swing. He defended his embattled No Child Left Behind program and said that holding students accountable through testing will ensure that teachers are teaching.

Bush announced several new programs, including his Jobs for the 21st Century program. He also said he would rebuild the electric grid, make the U.S. more energy independent, create Social Security personal retirement accounts and start a tax-free Health Savings account for seniors to save for medical expenses.

The president's most controversial proposal would enable illegal aliens to get legal status based on corporate need for foreign workers.

The week of Jan. 19 certainly summarized what Americans can expect over the next few months. Bush will continue to tout his successes in Iraq and the rebounding economy as proof that he should stay in office, and his Democratic opponents will assault him on exactly the same issues, saying he has mismanaged the economy to benefit his wealthy friends in American corporations, and waged an unjust war.

Many state primaries are still to come, with New Hampshire on Tuesday, Jan. 27.

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love WASP. If you're black, love black. You must love yourself first before you can reach out to love others. But you've got to love yourself humbly. My request is that after you love yourself, get out of self, love others, and understand them," Ampry said.

According to Ampry, the best method of reducing racial inequality is affirmative action. "It creates an even playing field and takes the weights out of people's shoes. We are a family and like a family we take care of each other. We must make sacrifices for our brothers of the human

race," he said.

Ampry said he often listens to his opposition on talk radio. "I want to understand the opinions of the other side," he said.

Ampry said that he has great hopes that today's students can change the world of tomorrow, adding that he hopes the new generation can create "a new society where race, gender and class are unimportant."

"It's up to you. Our generation has dropped the ball. There's a lot to be done," he said.

## Ventriloquist receives standing ovation from LVC audience

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People shuffled into the Leedy Theater last Friday anticipating the start of ventriloquist Lynn Trefzger's performance. According to LVC's Web site, Trefzger was dubbed "Ventriloquist of the Year" from 1993 to 1995.

Trefzger began the show by asking two members of the audience their names,

majors and other basic information. She then introduced Camelot, her camel puppet. Camelot, who dealt with a bout of gas, grew fond of one of the girls sitting in the front row.

Simeon, Trefzger's boy puppet, then made his appearance. Trefzger called three LVC students on the stage, and asked them to stand in front of her and Simeon. She had a few laughs herself when the students experienced difficulties while trying to organize

themselves in the boy-girl-boy line she wanted. When Simeon asked the audience what the LVC mascot was, he could only laugh about the Flying Dutchman mascot.

Emily, a girl puppet, also had a crush on an audience member, and she sang a portion of the song "Natural Woman" to a male student in the front of the theater. Trefzger put Emily away and pulled Jed, a puppet resembling an elderly man, out of her bag.

Jed was focused on love. He said that he

recently celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary, and offered some relationship advice.

Toward the end of the show the students on the stage became Trefzger's dummies and were given funny voices.

Trefzger and Jed thanked the participants. Jed concluded the show with some advice that he received from his grandfather - "If you can't laugh at yourself, then you must not be funny."

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## Lehigh professor argues Design over Darwin

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Charles Darwin's theory of evolution is frequently debated on religious and moral grounds. Many theologians argue that the theory that life has evolved over millennia from simpler forms counteracts the idea that the six-day monotheistic creation story revered by America's Christians, Jews and Muslims is the truth.

Dr. Michael Behe takes a much different approach in his assault on Darwinism. Behe, a professor of chemistry at Lehigh University, says he is fighting his battle with science in his hands, not the Bible. His Jan. 21 presentation was a part of the LVC Colloquium on Science & Public Policy.

Behe admitted he faced a tough crowd in the scientific community, since evolution is widely accepted and criticisms of evolution are frequently unscientific. However, he maintained that his attack was based on "empirical evidence."

Behe explained how Darwin precipitated a culture war when he published his theory in his 1859 book, *Origin of Species*. Darwin argued that species "evolved over time through variation by natural selection," Behe said.

Behe discussed what he called "Darwin's black box" — Darwin's own inability to explain how gradual evolutionary processes could have formed the human eye, a structure Behe said is one of the most complicated living structures.

Upon establishing "Darwin's black box," also the title of his 1996 book, Behe formed his anti-evolution argument by stressing the limitations and failings of Darwin's theory.

Essentially, Behe argued that biology is home to "irreducibly complex," or IC, molecular structures. Behe said IC structures, such as the eye, the mechanism that clots blood and the tail in a certain type of bacteria, are so complex that they could not have developed in stages dependent on random variation over time, thus disproving Darwin.

Behe did not rely on scientific data to explain his theory, but compared IC biological systems to a mousetrap. He explained that no one could reduce the complexity of the mousetrap without

making it useless and similarly, no one could find a simpler predecessor for biological IC systems. All parts are necessary for both systems to work, making previous simpler versions impossible, Behe said.

Behe then went on to ask what possible explanation there could be to such complex biological systems.

"What I see is that these structures show an intelligent design," Behe explained, adding that something must have planned the structures before they came to exist. Behe curiously spent the second half of his lecture responding to the large amount of academic criticism he had received for his belief in ID, or intelligent design. Most of the criticism of his book came from Dr. Russell Doolittle, an expert in blood clotting.

Behe said Doolittle disproved the existence of IC systems through a report on clotting in mice. According to Doolittle, the report discussed the idea that removing different elements of the clotting mechanism — taking the mechanism to a simpler, less evolved stage — did not hurt the mice once they reproduced with mice missing other elements.

However, Behe said Doolittle misread the report, failing to note that although the female mice had no immediate trouble from their faulty clotting systems, they bled to death when giving birth.

Although Behe did not explain his theory of intelligent design in more detail, he did respond to a question on how he came to believe in ID.

"Well, God did it," Behe said when asked if he had simply given up on trying to explain how evolution led to IC structures, and summarized his core philosophy:

"Darwinism was much easier to believe decades ago before we (scientists) had the ability to investigate cells and molecules. Now we know the complexity that is in these systems, and no Darwinist is able to explain how evolution has produced these systems. Natural selection does occur. Random mutation also occurs. But although Darwin can explain some things, he can't explain everything."

## Derickson residents experience Internet difficulties

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Imagine that after a busy day, you finally return to your room to relax and talk to your friends online, only to discover that your Internet doesn't work. Or what if you waited until the night before to write a research paper, and when you try to find information online, you get an error message saying that you can't connect to the Web site you need?

Unfortunately, this has been the reality for residents of both Derickson A and B. While IT Services received a few complaints at the beginning of the fall semester, the problem with the Internet connection has been occurring more frequently this semester.

According to Mark Wolfe, network support assistant for IT Services, the cause of the problem is currently unknown, although there are a few possible explanations. Moisture might have gotten in the antenna and frozen, or high winds might be interrupting Internet access.

Engineers will be evaluating the situation to see what can be done, and until

then, IT Services has set up a subnet for the Derickson connection to cut down on broadcast traffic and help to alleviate the problem.

Meanwhile, Derickson residents are quite irritated. Beth Strassner, a senior resident of Derickson, explains that the Internet is an important part of academic and social life at LVC. "My roommates and I find it very frustrating that at least once a day, we lose Internet connection. IM is how we keep in contact with friends and family and even how we find people around campus."

Many classes also depend upon the internet to complete assignments or gather information. "My roommate has several Internet-intensive courses this semester," Strassner adds, "including one that she has to e-mail the professor for within a specified time frame. None of this can be done when the Internet goes down."

Strassner is typical of most Derickson residents who have expressed their annoyance with the problem. Fortunately, it is being addressed, and hopefully Derickson residents will once again have the same dependable Internet access found across campus.

## Around the world in 300 words

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**Can you hear me now?** A federal judge in California said Friday that marine biologists can continue to test a sonar system for detecting deep-sea whales, because the system is safe and has been thoroughly reviewed. The permit issued last month was opposed by environmentalists who say the sounds could distress the whales, especially sensitive harbor porpoises.

**In his birthday suit:** After seven months, mostly spent behind bars, 44-year-old Stephen Gough completed his 847-mile walk across Britain wearing nothing but socks, boots, hat and rucksack. He intended to promote public nudity, despite British laws against indecent exposure.

**Inmate charged in spork attack:** Last week, Steven Cave allegedly threw a container of urine at a corrections officer during mealtime at a restricted housing unit in Somerset, Pa. Following the meal, Cave refused to return his tray and spork (a combination spoon and fork). When

guards tried to retrieve the spork, they discovered that Cave had sharpened the tines and tried to attack a guard. Cave has been charged with attempted homicide and aggravated assault, among other charges.

**Saying goodbye to the captain:** Bob Keeshan, better known to many as Captain Kangaroo, died last Friday at the age of 76. On his children's show, Keeshan interacted with characters such as Mr. Green Jeans, Bunny Rabbit and Mr. Moose as he walked around his Treasure House. The show ran for 37 years, from 1955 to 1992.

**Welcome or not?** A Brazilian policy that requires all Americans coming into the country to be fingerprinted and photographed will be extended for another 30 days, in what Brazil officials call 'reciprocity' for similar U.S. actions. Because Brazilian tourism officials dislike the policy, they offer Americans arriving in Rio de Janeiro t-shirts, flowers and jewelry, as a way of letting them know that Rio de Janeiro still loves its tourists.

The writer used [www.msnbc.com](http://www.msnbc.com) and the Lancaster Intelligencer Journal as sources.



## Colloquium film debates fundamentalism, evolution

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Last semester, as I walked into Chapel 101 for a course entitled Religion in the United States, I was greeted by none other than a VHS copy of the 1960 black-and-white drama, *Inherit the Wind*. This film, based on the historic Scopes Monkey Trial, served as a great introduction to the course because it covers both the aspects of fundamentalism and atheistic evolution — the two religious extremes of the strict and the cynical — which then in turn opened the door for what could be found in between.

This semester, *Inherit the Wind* was deservedly the kickoff to this semester's Science and Public Policy Colloquium Film Series. It contains obvious aspects of both of the Colloquium's two conjoined topics. And now, after a second viewing for this review, my opinion of the picture remains the same: "*Inherit the Wind*" is a vivid dramatic production full of wisdom and exceptional acting, but in the grander scheme of things, it is an informative reenactment of a famous historical event that is plainly inaccurate and exaggerated, resulting in, overall, only a slightly-above-par picture.

*Inherit the Wind* (a title taken from a line found in the biblical book of Proverbs) addresses the controversial topic of evolution being taught in the public schools, and how Charles Darwin's theory challenges the fundamental teachings of the book of Genesis. It recounts and recaps the 1925 trial of teacher John Scopes in his defensive attempt to free the school systems of the close-minded and bigoted fundamentalists' views of evolution and to allow the young individuals to open their minds and freely learn the scientific subject matter. Conversely, there are several differing elements to take into account that make this more of a theatrical-enhanced rendition rather than a historically honest account of actual events: The factual basis of *Inherit the Wind* is tweaked a little too much in order to meet Hollywood's "picture-worthy" standards.

For starters, the characters' names are all symbolic for the real Monkey Trial players (Bert Cates = John Scopes; Matthew Harrison Brady = William Jennings Bryant; Henry Drummond = Clarence Darrow; E. K. Hornbeck = H. L. Mencken, etc.). Also, the movie never speaks of the actual act (the Butler Act)

and its details that Cates (Scopes) violated. Furthermore, throughout the film, Cates (Scopes) is depicted as if he were shaking in his booties in fear of the serious threat of being locked up for quite some time. This is only shown to increase the tension and drama of the fate of the film's protagonist. Scopes was never in danger of facing serious jail time. In fact, Scopes was not even arrested, as the symbolic Cates is in the film; Scopes actually volunteered to test the law in order to call attention to his hometown of Dayton, Tenn. Scopes was also, in truth, a math professor who only briefly substituted as a teacher of biology and who actually never even taught or spoke of evolution in any public school. There are countless other dissimilarities between the actuality and the production to spout off about, but none that you couldn't locate on your own with a little undemanding research.

Aside from all of the film's nominal



The cast of *Inherit the Wind* watch the trial closely.

adaptations of the real-life events, this film is a fairly decent representation of a respectable '60s motion picture with two highly honorable portrayals of the duo of bickering attorneys, played by Spencer Tracy and Fredric Marsh.

*Inherit the Wind* is a film to check out — that is, if you haven't already — due to its strong dialogue and interesting content. However, I don't mean to discourage any potential viewers by saying that if you have seen this movie in the distant past, or just saw it this past Sunday afternoon at the Allen, I certainly hope you are in agreement with me, that this film has one of the most almost unbearable, old-fashioned soundtracks of all time. The repetitious maddening mantra, "Gimme That Ole' Time Religion," contains such an annoying vibrato chorus, and is so utterly bothersome from start to finish, that I would hate to hear Simon Cowell's comments on the film.



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## Life of Pi offers insight and artistry

By Kelly Gondek '07  
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Yann Martel's latest novel, *Life of Pi*, was an interesting sell. The cover of the paperback edition is blue with a bright orange spine, and sports the picture of an ocean from above, where you can see the fish, sharks and turtles. Also seen is a small lifeboat with a boy and a tiger. Sounds like the whole story, right? Wrong.

Yes, the story's action does take place in the lifeboat in the middle of the ocean, and it does involve a boy and a tiger. But that's a shallow way to put the plot. The story is about Piscine Molitor Patel, called Pi, and his family, owners of the Pondicherry Zoo in India. When Pi is 16, his family sells what it can of its zoo and moves to Toronto, Canada. But alas, the ship they're traveling on sinks in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. Pi is thrown into a lifeboat with a zebra with a broken leg, a hyena, an orangutan and a 450-pound Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. Soon it is just Pi and Richard Parker. The rest of the book is on how Pi and Richard Parker get rescued.

We know Pi somehow survives this ordeal because the story is told as if an anonymous author is writing down the story as dictated by Pi many years later. However, that doesn't detract from the book's action. The varying between the author's insights and Pi's story keeps the story interesting. Pi uses such engaging, vivid descriptions of his memories that you feel what he felt and see what he saw. When describing the ugliness of hyenas, he calls them "discarded prototype(s) for the

giraffe." And later, his description of the nearly-dead zebra which was being eaten from the inside out by the hyena is completely sickening. He even says, "I was horrified. I had no idea a living being could sustain so much injury and go on living."

But the book is more than all that. It's more than a story of an ordeal and its ultimately happy (?) ending. It's a story of a profoundly spiritual boy who wants to believe in the practices of his native Hinduism, Christianity and Islam. He spends much of the book discussing how the religions can't seem to get along, yet there are no qualms in his beliefs. There's a very interesting scene when the Patel family encounters Pi's pandit, priest and imam. As the religious men are arguing amongst themselves, Pi says, "I just want to love God." It is this sort of attitude that would stop all the fighting between religions, when people see past the differences and focus on what they have in common.

The most interesting aspect of the book I found was how passionately in favor of zoos Pi is. He compares zoos to a hotel, with all the luxuries one could imagine, plus free medical care, while wild animals are usually cold, often hungry and "without a soul in the world to care about them." But his family had owned a zoo all of his life. Saying zoos are cruel is totally foreign to him. And his descriptions of life in a zoo are profoundly fascinating and keep you turning the pages.

While you do get a lot of the plot action from the cover, this book is worth reading for all the insight and artistry it has to offer.



## Thoughts from the editors...

Another week gone by... It is hard to believe that February is right around the corner. If only spring were as well.

We'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our new staff members. We really are thrilled to have them all and hope they plan to stick around for a long, long time! Cindy Progin '04 is our new layout editor. Kristin Roth '04 is our new copy editor. And in the business world, we have the new advertising manager Alex Reber '07 and the new business manager Elmira Sellu '06. It is great to have a full staff! We also extend a warm welcome to all our new writers!

Of course, this doesn't mean we aren't always looking for new faces.

Now that we have this semester's staff all set to go, we really do need to look toward next year. If you are interested, stop on by on Mondays or e-mail us.

This week's issue is literally bursting, and we even had to cut some articles down. Check out tips on how to survive the frigid weather. If you live in Derickson and are sick of Internet problems, read our story and write us with your opinions. In the world of sports, it looks as if LVC's winter teams are still having a great season.

Check out *La Vie* next week for a preview of *Sweeney Todd* and other news.

## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Thursday, Jan. 22, Public Safety assisted the Annville Township Police Department with traffic control when a vehicle accident closed Route 934.

\*On Sunday, Jan. 25, Public Safety assisted Residential Life staff in breaking up a party in Funkhouser Hall.

\*On Monday, Public Safety assisted with a student who passed out in a class in the Humanities Building.



## Lebanon Valley College Senior Send-Off

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## Organizers plan local film festival

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Organizers are currently planning the first annual Quittapahilla Film Festival, which will showcase independent and foreign films and submissions from film schools and local filmmakers.

"We want to give people the opportunity to see films they otherwise wouldn't see," said Dr. Jeff Ritchie, an English professor at LVC and an organizer of the event.

Dr. Barry Friedman, who, like Ritchie, is a professor at Lebanon Valley College and an organizer of the festival, said, "The only criterion is that the films have not been shown before in this area." The films will

likely be "off the beaten path," he added.

The movies will be featured in three venues: Zimmerman Recital Hall and Leedy Theater, both located at LVC, and the Allen Theatre.

Currently, the festival is scheduled for Oct. 1-3, 2004. The festival will open on Friday night at the Allen Theatre with a reception, a speaker and the first movies. The festival will continue all day Saturday and Sunday, with the three venues running movies simultaneously. On Sunday night, the festival closes with a reception at the Allen Theatre.

A selection committee will choose the featured films after reviewing submissions, most of which will come

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## Maynard Ferguson to appear for Homecoming

*This week's historical article, printed on Friday, Sept. 27, 1974, gives details about the life and career of one of the greatest trumpet players of all time, Maynard Ferguson. Best known for his enormous range and full, energetic sound, Ferguson played a concert in Lynch Gym 30 years ago. Some of his most well-known hits are "Gonna Fly Now" from the Rocky soundtrack, "Coconut Champagne" and "Birdland." At a school known so widely for its music program, Maynard Ferguson no doubt inspired a large number of aspiring musicians that night. Ferguson, now 75, hair a little whiter, is still wow-ing fans with his sound. With any luck, maybe someday he'll make a return visit to LVC. In the meantime, in a stroke of good luck, anyone interested in seeing him will have an opportunity on April 13 at Annville Cleona High School. Read on for more information on this trumpet legend...*



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By Craig Meyer

Maynard Ferguson, the man who has been described as "the world's most exciting trumpet sound" is appearing in concert in the Lynch Memorial Gym on October 5. Tickets to the concert, which begins at 8:00 p.m., can be picked up at the door or at the reception desk. LVC students are admitted free with a pass; general admission is \$3 a ticket.

Born on May 4, 1928 in a small southern town in Quebec, Canada, Maynard began playing the piano and violin at the age of four. When he was nine, he enrolled in the French Conservatory of Music in Montreal. Before deciding upon trumpet as his major instrument, he had studied all the instruments in the saxophone family, the clarinet, and the slide trombone. Maynard was 15 when he formed his first band, which consisted mostly of men twice as old as himself. During the years 1948 to 1953, Maynard

played with Boyd Raeburn's Big Band, Jimmy Dorsey, Stan Kenton's Orchestra, and Charlie Barnet. In 1953 he became first call trumpet man for Paramount Pictures in Hollywood. In 1956 he hit the road with "a new brand of up-and-coming musicians," until 1967 when he joined the All Star British Big Band "Top Brass" with Harold Davidson.

Maynard Ferguson, who at 45 is currently touring with Ernie Garside, said "All I've ever wanted was to be influenced by everything in life that turned on my centers. All my life I've wanted to play my own pleasure game. I'm serious about meditation, but not earnest. It's a philosophy of joy."

By playing popular hits like "Hey Jude," Theme from Shaft," "Bridge Over Troubled Water," and Fire and Rain," he rejuvenates and remolds the big band sound with new music to thrill people of all ages.



Though he has never been west of the Mississippi, Maynard has played at Palls Mall in Boston; Mr. Kelly's in Chicago; Brandi's in Philadelphia; the Famous Ballroom in Baltimore; Town Hall in New York; Massey Hall in Toronto; and forty-one high schools and universities, during his past three short U.S. tours. October fifth's engagement here at the college will be his first concert following a three week tour of England.

Unlike some cool jazz fan who said twenty years ago that "he'll blow his brains out in five year," Maynard Ferguson is sounding better than ever in 1974.

## Film festival planning continued

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from film schools. The categories for submissions include animation, documentary, experimental and narrative.

The festival will include awards, though organizers have not yet worked out the specifics. One idea under consideration involves two types of awards — one determined by the audience, and the other, a jury prize, determined by a committee. However, according to Friedman, this is "just one possibility of many."

In addition to films, the festival will feature musicians, art exhibits and lectures and workshops from filmmakers. Organizers are striving for a "carnival-like or festival atmosphere," Ritchie said.

To pay for the festival, organizers are seeking local advertisers. They are trying to form partnerships with WITF, Central Pennsylvania Magazine and Friends of Old Annville. Additionally, they are looking for sponsors — both for individual films and for the film festival in general — and they are also applying for grants and nonprofit status.

In order to hold the festival, organizers also need approval from

Annville Township. They plan to submit a proposal sometime in May, and they do not foresee a problem gaining approval. The Quittapahilla Film Festival, according to Ritchie, would be an opportunity to showcase the unique aspects of Annville, such as LVC, MJ's Coffeehouse and the Allen Theatre.

The only concern for the event is parking, and to alleviate potential parking problems, organizers are appealing to the community for help. They hope that LVC, Lebanon Valley Farmer's Bank and other local companies will offer their parking lots for the weekend of the festival.

"We want to bring a little more culture to this region," said Friedman, adding, "I really hope the LVC community, especially the students, come out in force to support this rare opportunity."

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**LVC's Scores:  
1/19 - 1/26****Men's Basketball:**

1/19 vs. Scranton L, 84-79  
 1/21 vs. Widener L, 70-78  
 1/24 vs. Elizabethtown W, 67-61  
 Record: 11-6  
 Conference: 5-1

**Women's Basketball:**

1/20 vs. Widener W, 61-58  
 1/17 vs. Elizabethtown W, 64-53  
 1/24 vs. Johns Hopkins ppd.  
 Record: 14-1  
 Conference: 5-1

**Ice Hockey:**

1/21 vs. Elmira L, 1-7  
 1/23 vs. Johnson & Wales W, 12-1  
 1/24 vs. Salve Regina W, 5-1  
 Record: 10-7  
 Conference: 8-2

**Men's Swimming:**

1/24 vs. FDU-Florham W, 56-20  
 1/24 vs. Lycoming L, 37-58  
 Record: 3-5  
 Conference: 1-2

**Women's Swimming:**

1/24 vs. FDU-Florham W, 55-35  
 1/24 vs. Lycoming L, 30-63  
 Record: 2-7  
 Conference: 0-4

**Indoor track:**

1/24 vs. Dickinson Relays  
 Men: 4th of 8  
 Women: 4th of 7

**Indoor track competes  
at Dickinson relays****Women finish fifth, men place fourth**

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It may have been snowing outside Saturday morning, but inside Dickinson's Kline Center, the Dutchmen were burning up the track at the Ducharme Relays.

LVC turned in several strong performances in the sprints on both the men's and women's sides. In the sprint medley, a combination 200-200-400-800 race, the team of freshmen Alan Newsome and Bryon Laird, and junior Matt Hauk and senior Jeremy Rea, claimed second with a 3:50.39. The women also picked up a second-place finish in that event, with freshmen Jamie Reynolds and Brittany Dukeman and sophomores Latoya Stewart and Kelly Hilkert racing to a 4:41.01.

The same four women would also run the 4x2 relay later in the day in 1:58.50, less than half a second off first-place Mary Washington. Newsome, Laird, Hauk and sophomore

Jimmy Buckson broke the tape in 1:38.18 in their 4x2, winning the race over two seconds ahead of the next team.

Newsome turned in a solid 6.76 second time in the 55 dash for second place, while junior Jordan Newell took the 55 hurdles in 8.07 seconds. Hauk also placed fourth in the 55 hurdles, crossing the line in 8.36 seconds.

The Dutchmen also performed well in the field events, led by Buckson's second-place finish in the pole vault behind a 13'5.75" effort. Senior Amy Wagner and freshman Many Warner went 3-4 in the vault with respective heights of 9'6" and 9'0". Sophomore Bonnie Susan (15'4.75") and senior Lisa Landis (15'2") pulled off the same 3-4 finish in long jump, and Stewart cleared 4'10" for third in the high jump.

The men placed fourth out of eight teams with 63 points; the women garnered 63.5 points to finish fifth out of seven teams.

LVC returns to action next Saturday at Widener.

**The Valley Tally:  
Dutchmen honored****Northcott named conference player of the week**

Junior center Jennifer Northcott has been named MAC Commonwealth Conference Player of the Week, conference officials announced Monday. Northcott averaged 12.5 points per game and 10 rebounds per game in a pair of conference wins over Widener and Elizabethtown last week. Northcott also leads the conference in rebounding (9.8 per game) and blocks (2.21 per game).

**Swimming teams split meet at Lycoming**

The LVC men's and women's swimming teams competed in a double-dual meet with FDU-Florham and Lycoming. The men's team defeated FDU-Florham 56-20 thanks to MAC qualifying times from sophomore Isaac Greene and freshman Matt Woods, but lost to Lycoming 58-37. The women's team also beat FDU-Florham 55-35 with MAC qualifying times out of freshman Lynn Donmoyer, freshman Hannah Plimpton, and sophomore Jenn Kush, but dropped their meet with Lycoming 63-30.

**Winter storm postpones women's basketball game**

Sunday night's winter storm that dumped several inches of snow on the region caused the postponement of Monday night's women's basketball against Johns Hopkins University. Hopkins is ranked fifteenth in the country in the latest d3hoops.com national poll, while the Dutchmen are ranked 16th. Last year's match-up against JHU was also cancelled by an ice storm. No make-up date has yet been decided.

**Athletes of the Week**

Junior point guard **J.D. Byers** scored 22 points, including 11 of LVC's final 15, in Saturday's 67-61 conference victory over Elizabethtown College.



Junior center **Jennifer Northcott** was named conference player of the week after averaging 12.5 points and 10 boards in two wins.

*Photos courtesy of Sports Information*

**New sports facilities bring in fan support****Opinion**

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Ok, so the new basketball arena is not quite a Division I arena. And there are some LVC fans out there who argue that the new gym might not be able to provide the same atmosphere as Lynch Gym did for many years. However, even if the new gym is not as electric as, let's say, Duke's Cameron Indoor Stadium, it will still be a huge step in the right direction for LVC athletics.

The football field that the LVC football team plays on every other Saturday in the fall doesn't compare to Penn State's Beaver Stadium. But that does not stop parents, alumni, students and other fans from arriving at the

games early enough to tailgate and prepare for the kickoff.

McGill Baseball Park is as nice if not nicer than any Division III field in the country. If you ask most students or fans near the LVC campus, they will agree that these facilities are what make LVC athletes what they are today.

Even though the facilities are not comparable to professional or Division I fields, stadiums and arenas, they still bring about an undeniable allure that brings fans to each sporting event. Year after year, LVC athletes step on these fields and courts to perform in front of thousands of fans, or only a handful. They can provide an atmosphere that helps motivate LVC athletes, who play for the love of the game.

The facilities are also a huge help in recruiting. In many cases, you will find that

many high school seniors choose this school because of the facilities it has.

"The fact that LVC was planning on building a new gym was one of the biggest reasons I chose this school and this basketball program," said sophomore basketball player Dan Hogan. "The new facilities show a growing support toward that athletic side of college."

Because of its beautiful surroundings, McGill is also a great place to watch a game. In fact, in the past some members of other teams here at LVC would roast hot dogs during the game, providing that "big league" ballpark feel.

"The baseball field here provides a lot of room for fans to come and watch. Also, the grounds crew does an excellent job maintaining the field during the spring," said

sophomore baseball player Matt Rich.

Lastly, the football field is another example of a facility that provides an outstanding environment to watch a game. Despite the team's struggles in recent years, there continues to be a decent turnout at all of the games.

"The football stands might not be packed every Saturday, but the fans that do come show great support for the team no matter the score," said junior football player Doug Wherley.

These facilities are one of the biggest components toward athletic success here at LVC. More and more fans will show their support because of the interest vested into building new facilities where they can come and enjoy watching the games.

**Ice hockey continued**

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giving the Valley a 3-0. Before the close of the second stanza Salve would muster one goal, scoring a powerplay goal with just over 15 minutes left in the period.

In the third the Dutchmen quickly regained their three-goal lead as Beatrice scored his second goal of the game off a feed from Dave Stoudt just 11 seconds into the period. Pace then scored his second goal of the game on a powerplay, setting the final score at 5-1. The Dutchmen outshot Salve 40-21 for the game. In goal for the Valley, Sonny Holding turned aside 20 shots en route to the victory.

The Dutchmen's next game will be this Saturday as they play the third game of a seven-game road trip against Southern New Hampshire University in an ECAC Northeast match-up.



## Women's basketball stretches streak to nine

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Everybody knew big things would come out of the Lebanon Valley College women's basketball team. Only problem was, many folks thought it would come next year.

Despite a roster with no seniors on it, the Flying Dutchmen have turned it on this year, losing just one game this season and running up a nine-game win streak. Their 14-1 record has also earned them the role of 16th best team in the nation according to the latest d3hoops.com national poll.

In the midst of the toughest stretch of the season, with conference power Widener last Tuesday and a visit to a tough Elizabethtown team Saturday, the Dutchmen passed with flying colors, winning both games to improve to 5-1 in the conference to set up a showdown with conference leader Messiah this Saturday.

Their current winning streak is their longest since the school-record 17-game streak in 2001-02.

Against E-town, the Dutchmen held a 30-27 halftime advantage before storming out of the locker room with a 12-3

run to push their lead to 12 halfway through the second. LVC led by as many as 15, but the Blue Jays clawed back to within six with 3:27 on the clock.

E-town's shooting woes and lack of bench production caught up with them though, as they missed their final five shots and let LVC score the final five points to hand the Dutchmen a 64-53 win.

Junior center Jennifer Northcott led the Dutchmen offensively, dropping 13 points and pulling in nine boards. Erin Eaby was the only other player on either side to hit double-digits in the scoring column, scoring 10 while dishing out five assists.

Lebanon Valley held E-town to just 28.8 percent shooting, including 27.8 percent from three-point range. The Dutchmen also out-rebounded the Blue Jays by a margin of 45-37.

Earlier in the week, LVC squeaked by Widener 61-58 behind Northcott's 12 points and junior guard Crystal Gibson's 11. Junior forward Tamika Rogers just missed the double-double, turning in ten rebounds and nine points.

The Dutchmen return to action against No. 18 Messiah Saturday, with the tip set for 6 p.m. in Grantham.

## Men run past E-town 67-61

### Take CC lead despite Widener loss on Wednesday



Senior guard Evan Harlor defends Widener's Casey Stitzel during last Wednesday's 78-70 home loss to Widener University

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Even after it seemed their momentum was shot down by two straight losses, the Lebanon Valley College men's basketball team stared a hostile crowd in the face to walk out of Elizabethtown Saturday with a 67-61 victory.

Despite a near-capacity crowd of 1,800 at Thompson Gymnasium, the Dutchmen came back from a nine-point first half deficit to win their seventh game in nine tries. The win, combined with a Widener loss to

Susquehanna, put LVC in first place in the Commonwealth Conference by a game, giving them a head start in the playoff race.

The Dutchmen are now 5-1 in the conference, just ahead of Widener and Susquehanna, who are tied at 4-2.

The Dutchmen trailed by just a point at the half, but a Dave Kasyan three to open the second gave them their first lead of the game since the opening seconds.

The lead flip-flopped for the next 15 minutes before the Dutchmen went on a 12-2 run that ended in a 10-point LVC lead

with 51 ticks left on the clock. What seemed like a sure thing, though, was thrown into doubt after E-town's Jon Connor drained a pair of treys in just nine seconds to pull the Blue Jays back within four with 26 seconds left.

But then J.D. Byers stepped to the line.

Byers, shooting a national-best 96.2 percent from the line going into Saturday's game, drained both of his free throws with 19 seconds to go to ice the win for LVC.

Byers was clutch down the stretch for the Dutchmen, scoring 11 of LVC's final 15 points en route to a 22-point, 5-assist performance. Sophomore forward Dan Hogan also came up big with 13 points and six boards, while Kasyan finished with 10 points and seven rebounds.

The E-town win boosted LVC's record to 11-6 overall.

Earlier in the week, on Wednesday, the Dutchmen fell to Widener at the LVC Gymnasium for their first conference loss of the season, 78-70. Senior guard Evan Harlor scored 20 points in the loss, including four three-pointers.

Next up for the Dutchmen is a rare Saturday evening game at 8 p.m. against conference rival Messiah College.

## Icers earn a pair of blow-outs, take conference lead

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Go big or go home, or why not go big and then head home? That's exactly what the LVC ice hockey team did last weekend winning on back-to-back nights in Rhode Island by a combined 17-2 mark.

What makes these two blowout victories even sweeter is the fact that they both came against ECAC Northeast opponents, helping to put the Dutchmen in first place.

The first of the two Dutchmen shalackings came on Friday evening against a dilapidated Johnson and Wales team to the tune of a 12-1 LVC win. The

Dutchmen got things going just 1:03 into the contest as Jeff Smith lit the lamp. Just over the midway mark of the first, Mike Kuzmuk stretched the Valley lead to two with his goal.

In the second period the Dutchmen would find the back of the net four more times. Brendan Herr scored less than a minute into the period while Doug MacCormack scored his first of three goals of the night just 29 seconds later on the powerplay. J&W would cut into the Dutchmen lead at the 14:46 mark making it a 4-1 game, but MacCormack would regain the Valley's four-goal lead with under a minute to play in the second off assists from Anthony Pace and Alex Beatrice.

In the third period, the Dutchmen not only blew the doors off the barn, they burnt the barn down too, lighting Johnson and Wales up for seven goals in the final stanza. Scott Eberenz gave the Dutchmen a 6-1 lead on the powerplay from Matt Fishbone and Jarod Warsofsky, followed by another powerplay goal, this time an unassisted one off the stick of Anthony Lattanze. Andrew Rummel kept the ball rolling scoring at the 9:53 mark followed by Kuzmuk's second tally of the evening at 10:26 in the third period. The Dutchmen still weren't finished as Eberenz got his second goal of the game to make the score 10-1 LVC. Alex Beatrice then scored at the 14:37 mark off

an assist from MacCormack, who then closed out the scoring with under a minute left in the game setting the final tally at 12-1.

In the game the Dutchmen fired a season-high 60 shots on the J&W net, while allowing a season low 12 shots against netminder Joe Burley who finished the evening with 11 saves in picking up the win.

On Saturday night the Dutchmen remained in the nation's smallest state looking to make another big statement taking on Salve Regina. In the first period neither team managed to find the back of the net, but in the second period, the Dutchmen struck first as Pace scored just 36 seconds into the period, making it 1-0 LVC. As if scoring just over

half a minute into the stanza wasn't impressive enough, Smith pushed the Dutchmen lead to two, scoring off the ensuing face-off, with the goal coming just eight seconds after Pace's. The Dutchmen continued to pressure Salve as Beatrice would tickle the twine at 3:07 of the second period

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## Taxing housework?

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Feminist economics might want to argue for a massive overhaul of economic policy, says one of Australia's top feminist economists.

Gillian Hewitson completed her undergraduate and post-graduate work in Australia, and is the author of numerous papers and books on the subject of feminist economics.

Hewitson, a visiting associate professor of economics at Franklin & Marshall College in Lancaster, spoke at LVC on Jan. 27 about gender inequalities in economics and offered her solutions to the problem.

Globally, women do two-thirds of the world's work, both paid and unpaid, began Hewitson. However, she added, women earn just 10 percent of the world's income and own just 1 percent of the world's property.

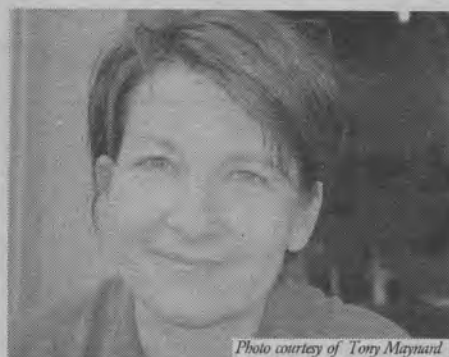
In the United States, the situation is

slightly better. For every 100 hours men work, women work 106 hours, although women do 43 percent less paid work than men and twice as much unpaid work, Hewitson said. For every dollar earned by men in the United States in 1999, women earned just 72 cents, she added.

Economists take one view of this inequality based on individuals' utility maximizing decisions. Hewitson explained that according to this view, women have a comparative advantage for looking after children and will choose an education that supports less than continuous labor market participation. Women will look for jobs that do not require much training — typically those that earn lower wages, said Hewitson.

On the contrary, men specialize in paid work and choose an education for continuous labor force participation that typically requires lots of training and therefore higher wages, she added.

"Feminist economists have significant



Gillian Hewitson, an Australian feminist economist, spoke at LVC last week.

problems with this type of analysis," Hewitson said.

In the feminist theory, said Hewitson, women come into an already gendered economy, an idea that is rejected by economists. Housework is seen as a responsibility, not a utility maximizing decision. Employers are less willing to allocate women to jobs with training if they think they will be leaving, Hewitson said.

"It leads to possible discrimination," she said. "It's illegal, but it also has subtle forms."

Because women face this situation, Hewitson added, "women tailor their

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## Evolution in public schools: the debate continues

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Should American schools teach Darwin AND Genesis?

Anyone who attended the Jan. 29 panel discussion, entitled "Evolution in the Schools," is still not sure. Over the course of an hour and 15 minutes, four panelists debated different aspects of the evolution versus religion versus schools debate, but all failed to reach a consensus on what schools should teach the nation's children.

Sponsored by the LVC Colloquium on Science and Public Policy, the panel discussion featured LVC professors Dr. Jeff Robbins (religion and philosophy) and Dr. Luke Huggins (biology). Dr. Edward Davis, professor of science history at Messiah College, and Mr. Donald Drenner, a science teacher at Manheim Township High School in nearby Lancaster County, filled the panel's other two seats.

Robbins opened the debate, questioning the literal interpretation of the Bible that is an essential part of Christian fundamentalism, the chief religious opponent of evolution in schools.

"There are actually two creation stories in Genesis, and they contradict each other. Now, either the bible writers were not very smart, or they had a different concept of truth then we do. They could have had layered beliefs allowing for greater interpretation," Robbins added.

Although dismissing anti-evolutionist claims that evolution is bad science, none of the panelists were willing to say that Darwin's theory was a fact.

Huggins argued that although there are gaps in the fossil record and in the observable development of smaller biological systems, he maintained that scientists could still make reliable assumptions that evolution is science and is an effective theory to describe the origin of life on earth.

But when Huggins pointed out that the scientific community won't accept theories until they are verified with reproducible experiments, Drenner responded with a sharp point.

"In that case, evolution is not verifiable," he said.

Drenner criticized scientists not because he doubts evolution, which he said he believes in and teaches, but for perpetuating evolution theory at all costs.

"I get these magazines that say 'all biologists believe in evolution,' and I know that's not true.

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## Room consolidations pending following first semester transfers, study abroad

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This semester, as is the case every spring semester, students have been left without roommates due to students transferring and studying abroad, among other causes. According to Jon Wescott, director of residential life, approximately 40 or more spots have opened due to students transferring and study abroad students.

In order to fill the spaces left by these vacated students, the college will attempt to consolidate these spots. When reached for comment on the school's policy, Dean Yuhas said, "We have to preserve a sense of fairness."

The issue of fairness revolves around room costs. Clearly, any student left with a single room while pay-

ing for a double would be receiving a significant discount on housing. Students pay a rate of \$1555 per semester for a double in one of the college's residence halls. The price of a single is one and a half times that rate, at approximately \$2300.

According to Yuhas, students left without a roommate this semester have three options. Their first option is to allow the college to assign them a new roommate. The second option is to request a pairing of their choice with another student. Lastly, if they would prefer to keep their single, they have the option to pay the extra money for the single, effectively "buying out" their room. This third option would entail an increase in price of roughly \$750.

Wescott said that the residential life staff attempts to consolidate stu-

dents who live on the same floor, or at least in the same dormitory, for convenience purposes. However, if a student has lined up a roommate in another hall, exceptions can be made.

The college is calling each affected student and sending out notifications via their respective residence hall directors.

James O'Brien, a freshman at LVC, is one of the students left without a roommate this semester. When asked what he plans to do, O'Brien said he is hoping to be able to pay the extra money to keep his single. He said, "If the amount is reasonable, I will pay it."

As for any empty rooms left as a result of the consolidation process, Yuhas said, "There may be one bed left here and there for roommate changes."

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## Annville Police Department – an inside look

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Annville Township is a quiet, residential community with small businesses and light industrial plants. It is also the location of Lebanon Valley College, home to a full-time faculty of 100 and a student body of about 2,200. Town-gown relations and an increasing number of robberies make the job of the Annville Police Department delicate. Some townspeople often want police to take more action against what they call noisy and rowdy students, but the police are also responsible for protecting and serving LVC students, who are legitimate members of the community as well.

Chief Michael T. Burdge Sr. said he recognizes the importance of maintaining good relations with LVC students and said he has been making his department more professional since his full-time duties began in September. He hopes to awaken it to the needs and expectations of the Annville community, including the students of Lebanon Valley College. Burdge hopes students will come to respect and trust the police with their concerns. Burdge said he respects LVC students and the positive role they play in Annville and maintaining good relations is essential. He praises the cooperation he receives from President G. David Pollick and said his department will continue working hand-in-hand with Chief Al Yingst and LVC Public Safety.

There are currently four other officers in the ATPD, though there are plans to hire two more as well as some clerical staff.

Corporal Dennis Reppert is the longest-serving member of the ATPD. He started in



Photo by Annalouise Venturella

Annville Police Department's D.A.R.E. van is always around town.

1981. He said his only job is with the ATPD and that it keeps him busy.

Officer Shawn Boyer is in his third year with the ATPD. He is bike patrol qualified and is a qualified firearms instructor. He is working on an online criminal justice degree. When Boyer addressed underage drinking problems with some LVC students, he said students "Can have all the parties they want, but they have to know what they're doing. Card the students when they come in." He said his motto is "you have to give respect to receive respect."

Officer Erin Walker has almost three years with the ATPD. Walker said she will be the K-9 officer once the department is able to get enough funds to start up the program. She hopes to get a Labrador trained for narcotics. She said she enjoys what she's doing and that police work can be "the best or the worst job in the world." She said the workload in Annville is "unreal" and said it's increased since she started.

Officer Toby Pokrop said he joined the

Annville police in February 2003. He said he's willing to meet with college students since he's about the same age and wants to increase LVC interaction with the police. He hopes to teach classes and work with the criminal justice programs at LVC. Pokrop said, "There's been a 180 degree turnaround" in the ATPD since Chief Burdge took over.

"We're turning the corner and putting (past) mistakes behind us," Burdge said.

A sign that changes are already underway is the 24-hour coverage the police now provide in partnership with the Cleona Borough Police Department, which officially began in early September. Co-protection had been a long-standing tradition, guaranteeing constant service to the Annville-Cleona area at no additional cost. Annville and Cleona officers have full police powers in both communities. Burdge is proud of the change, saying his officers were happy to take on the additional responsibility without increased pay.

Editor's note: Story edited for space constraints.

Pool working once  
again – swimmers  
happyBy Elyse Turr '06  
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As of Tuesday, Jan. 20, the main pool reopened for college, community and swim team use. The pool deck that was once 53 degrees Fahrenheit is now 80, and the water temperature that had once dropped to 67 degrees is now between 80 and 82 degrees.

"It's a great relief to have the pool back into a working condition so the swim team and classes which use the pool can return to their previous schedules," said Mary Gardner, aquatic coordinator and head swim team coach.

The repair to the pool pack is temporary until the new system, recently contracted

with Dectron Internationale, can take its place. The previous fixes, using the "squirrel cage" as a temporary fix on the existing pool pack was not capable of heating both the air and the 185,000 gallons of pool water. Now the air temperature is maintained at 80 degrees by a furnace on the east deck of the pool.

The "squirrel cage" is now being used only to heat the water, and is keeping the temperature between 80 and 82 degrees. This temperature is normal for pool use and within NCAA regulation for competitive swimming.

And so pool use continues as before, the



Photo by Annalouise Venturella

Swim team members enjoy the temporarily fixed pool.

LVC swim team and the age group swim team, the Lebanon Valley Otters, will finish the last month of their season. Lifeguarding, swimming and water aerobics classes have returned to the main pool. Open swim periods will continue on the same schedule as before. As Gardner often says to her swimmers, "We'll just keep on swimming!"

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The American scientific community refuses to admit other scientists' perspectives, and it puts me at a disadvantage in the classroom," Drenner said.

Davis criticized the importance of the other voices in the scientific community, saying that scientists who support theories other than evolution are "a drop in the bucket," or an unimportant minority opinion.

The panelists thus left a major question of the debate unanswered, letting the audience decide for itself.

Although Huggins and Davis agreed that the scientific community at large believes that evolution is the only theory to teach, Drenner disagreed.

"Students keep asking me these questions I cannot answer. And they present me with evidence against evolution that I cannot debate. I would like to present both sides of the argument in the classroom, but the Supreme Court says that religion has no place in schools. So I can't answer their questions," Drenner said.



## New Hampshire: winners, losers, bigger losers

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Although the week fell a bit short of some candidates' expectations, other Democratic presidential candidates had their dreams come true.

The New Hampshire primary on Jan. 27 was a tight contest that followed the shocking results of the Iowa caucus by a week. Iowa propelled floundering Sens. John Kerry and John Edwards into the public eye, while simultaneously demolishing the media's perception of Howard Dean as an unstoppable Vermonter with the power of a grassroots campaign behind him.

New Hampshire voters decided to continue in the footsteps of their Hawkeye compatriots, sending Kerry to the top with 39 percent of the vote, a clear vote of confirmation, and a wake-up call for anyone who thought Dean had the race in the bag.

Dean did not do badly, with 26 percent. But clearly, if he is to win the race, he's got to pull himself together. That could explain why he subsequently hired Al Gore advisor Roy Neel to manage his campaign, and let his then-campaign manager, Joe Trippi, go off to pasture.

Wesley Clark and John Edwards tied for a petty 12 percent, but pundits maintain both men are wildcards in a race that is

months from being over.

And then there's Joe Lieberman.

Dr. Griffin Hathaway, LVC political science professor, said he thinks Lieberman's 9 percent is a clear indication that the former Al Gore running mate should drop out while he's behind.

"He spent all that time living there [in New Hampshire] with his wife, and he should have had a better showing," Hathaway said.

Hathaway spoke as a guest on *The Liberty Cabbage*, a political talk show on WLVC. Another guest on the show, sophomore Sammie Lee Meglino, said she thinks John Edwards is the Democrat to watch.

"He's a little like Clinton, which will help him, but more than that he's a conservative Democrat. He's a workingman's Democrat and supports the Second Amendment [the right to bear arms]. With policies like that, he could be a tough opponent for Bush."

Meglino is a co-host of WLVC's *Elephants-a-Plenty* talk show, a blend of conservatism and country music.

The Democrats will next square off in South Carolina, where Southerner John Edwards is supposed to pull supporters who don't want New Englanders Kerry or Dean running the country.

*The Liberty Cabbage* is on [www.wlvc-radio.org](http://www.wlvc-radio.org) on Fridays, 1-3 p.m., with more Campaign 2004 coverage.

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preferences to the reality of the work force."

One reason feminists believe the economy is gendered is because reality mirrors theory, explained Hewitson. "Feminists look at economic theories as the problem, because economists deny gender," she said.

Although women were once counted as occupied workers in the census count, a much different ideal of womanhood developed — women were to be gentle, emotional and not suited to the competitive marketplace, said Hewitson. This marketplace became the realm of masculinity, she said, because they needed to provide for the wife and children, while women merely became dependents.

"We still have the legacy of these centuries-old changes," Hewitson said. "The ideal worker still has someone at home to take care of the children."

Hewitson's solutions to these problems came in the form of a feminist theoretical approach. Her policy suggestions included taxing housework.

"Because unpaid labor [which makes up 50 percent of total labor and is not counted in GDP] is currently untaxed, it provides a massive incentive to stay at home," Hewitson said. By Hewitson's estimation, there are \$10 trillion of uncounted output currently not being taxed.

"Taxing would require a new way of seeing value. We tax some types of work and not others — let's tax all work equally," she said.

Hewitson also recommended that no one be allowed to complete more than 28 hours of unpaid work per week, and that policy require all parents to take leave when children are born.

Men should also be made to participate in domestic labor, she added. One element of this would be to require pre-relationship/marriage counseling, where couples could work out in advance how housework will be divvied up.

"We need to be changing behaviors," Hewitson concluded. "We need to offer new identifications for men and women to take up."

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## Around the world in 300 words

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**New campaign in Minneapolis targets bar goers:** "Go before you go" is the slogan of a new campaign in the city to try to prevent public urination on sidewalks. The warehouse district's bars are doing great, but apparently patrons are leaving with full bladders and relieving themselves before they arrive home. The city plans to spend \$10,000 to try to prevent this inappropriate and distasteful act.

**Student drug testing considered:** President Bush unveiled a new plan in his State of the Union address to expand a \$2 million program that previously funded drug testing in eight school districts. The plan spurned mixed responses around the country. Some students are willing to be randomly selected for testing and feel it may help with the current drug problems in our nation's schools. Others worry about the privacy of students and what this may lead to. What do you think?

**Deadly bird flu wreaking havoc:** The deadly bird flu that is affecting China's fowl continues to spread. At least 10 Asians have died from the flu.

Apparently, the H5N1 virus got into poultry in the Hubei and Hunan provinces as well as Guanxi. Recent outbreaks occurred in suburbs of Shanghai. The flu is causing the mass slaughter of domestic fowl, ducks and chickens across the country. This appears to be the only way to stop the flu from spreading or to at least slow it down.

**Rented babies?:** Customs inspectors and federal prosecutors announced the bust of an international drug ring on Jan. 29 that surprised even those working in the field for years. The idea behind the scheme was to place drugs in cans of baby formula with women traveling with babies. The idea was that agents wouldn't think of a mother and baby as a drug smuggler. The babies were rented and the couriers were paid up to \$4,000 per trip. The ring initially began to disintegrate in 1999 when agents in Atlanta noticed that women with babies were visiting family at a military base in Panama, but they were not actually ending up near the base. At this point, 48 defendants pleaded guilty.

The author used [www.abcnews.com](http://www.abcnews.com) and [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as sources.



## State of the Union? Not good

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The president is good at naming things, or not naming them as the case may be. His State of the Union address Jan. 20 was remarkable for its combination of propaganda, flexibility and focus on the literal truth while avoiding the obvious bigger picture. In the speech, the president dusted off his "compassionate conservative" image, wrapping his right-wing agenda in language calculated to convince "average Americans" that his programs are beneficial to them rather than the corporations that give him money. The speech also unofficially kicked off the president's re-election campaign, focusing largely on his favorite issues — war and God — and obliquely challenging the Democratic nominees.

The first half of the address focused on President Bush's foreign policy, especially the wars on terrorism, Afghanistan and Iraq. Not surprisingly, the first issue was the Patriot Act, a brilliantly titled law that violates civil liberties and is almost impossible to criticize without being labeled a communist. The president called on Congress to the act, citing its usefulness in sharing information and tracking terrorists and failing to mention its violation of civil liberties and Constitutional guarantees. Under the Patriot Act, the government has the right to monitor medical information, library records, e-mail and the Internet, and blocks access to unclassified government records about such topics as environmental hazards and airport safety records. There are better ways to catch terrorists than betraying Americans' fundamental rights of privacy.

After calling on Congress to reauthorize a constitutionally questionable law, the president then touted the success of the war in Afghanistan, saying that it is "free, proud and fighting terror." The president fails to note that Afghanistan's fight on terror focuses on the re-emergence of the Taliban and al Qaeda in some parts of the country and a shortage of American funding and troops.

The president also spoke on the Iraq war, painting an optimistic picture despite the death of hundreds of coalition troops and thousands of Iraqi civilians and the growing threat of civil war. America's plans for free elections and full Iraqi sovereignty by the end of June are becoming less likely as violence in Iraq increases. For this reason, the president recently asked the United Nations to take a bigger role in rebuilding Iraq. Paradoxically, despite America's need for the United Nations, President Bush takes responsibility for saving the United Nations' credibility.

The primary reason for going to war with Iraq was the imminent threat of weapons of mass destruction. So far, coalition inspectors have not found any. Moreover, according to David Kay, the outgoing chief weapons inspector, weapons of mass

destruction have not existed since the end of the first Gulf War. However, inspectors did find "weapons of mass destruction-related program activities." This was a relief — after being told for months by the Bush administration that Iraq definitely had substantial stockpiles of chemical and biological weapons, it is a relief to that inspectors have found "weapons of mass destruction-related program activities." I was beginning to think we went to war under false pretenses.

Switching to domestic matters, the president glorified his tax cuts and the economic recovery and then proposed programs unlikely to receive funding because of massive tax cuts resulting in the largest deficits in history.

Domestic policy began with tax cuts which the president argues are responsible for the economic recovery. Although unemployment is high, the president's only comment is "jobs are on the rise." However, it is the rate at which they are rising that worries most people. In December, 1,000 new jobs were created, well under the projected 25,000. So while "jobs are on the rise" is technically true, it is little comfort to the 2.3 million workers who have lost their jobs since the president came to office.

On the issue of the No Child Left Behind Act, the president criticizes those who would undermine the bill by relaxing standards and accountability. However, he does not point out that his administration gutted funding for the bill; with raised testing standards without raised school budgets, No Child Left Behind set an impossible task for schools. Most public schools have no money for textbooks or school construction, resulting in large class sizes and scarcity of educational resources. So while school children do not receive the personal attention or resources they need to learn, they are coached on how to pass government mandated standardized tests.

Finally, President Bush proposes grants to faith-based organizations, particularly those working with prisoner-release programs (this would be the compassionate part of the speech). Religious organizations, as the president notes, are performing vital services in America. However, the constitutionality of government funding for religious groups remains dubious. This detail, however, has never stopped the president before.

President Bush, smug and smirking as always, delivered to the American people an assessment of our country that relied on half-truths and willful omissions. America has the largest deficits in history, and job creation is slow. Moreover, funding for the war in Iraq and the disastrous post-war problems took vital funding from domestic programs, such as education and Medicare. President Bush's contempt for all but the wealthiest Americans and his duplicitous and illegal actions during his first term as president should guarantee that he will not get a second one.



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## Doing what's right for America

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In a State of the Union address that predominantly highlighted the greatest hits of his presidency, President George W. Bush outlined what his administration has faced and accomplished over the last three years and what lies ahead as the nation enters the 2004 primary season. While most State of the Union addresses generally sound the same year after year, Bush's 2004 address emphasized several key initiatives that he hopes to focus upon during the fourth year of his first term.

The president's "Jobs for the 21st Century" initiative would expand support through America's community colleges to help them train workers for the industries that are creating the most new jobs. It includes a \$250 million proposal to fund partnerships between community colleges and employers in high-demand job sectors, based on successful pilot programs launched by Bush in 2001 and 2002. The Bush plan further expands Advanced Placement programs in low-income schools, and invites professionals with private-sector math and science experience to teach part-time in our high schools. As an incentive for students to take more demanding high school courses, it would provide larger grants for college under the Pell Grant program.

While outlining the future, Bush looked back at the past three years of his term in office and what it has meant for America. The United States has not experienced a terrorist attack in 28 months, thanks largely to the firm leadership of George W. Bush. Love him or hate him, you have to respect the man. The weight of the world

has been on his shoulders, and for the most part, he has handled it with much strength and determination. To quote Bush during his TV interview with Diane Sawyer on ABC in December, "You can ask the question any way you want, but I did what was right for America."

I don't support or agree with each and every component of the Bush platform, but I respect his boldness and confidence that he has done the right thing. He has not backed down from anyone since Sept. 11, as seen by the American success in the Iraq War and the inevitable capture of Saddam Hussein in December. Due to the strong and positive expansion of the American economy over the last several months, the Democratic Party has continued to lose momentum on things that they could use to criticize the president as we move closer and closer to the 2004 presidential election.

While the Democratic presidential hopefuls are pursuing personal attacks on each other and the president, Bush continues to march forward in an attempt to do what's right for America. He is focused on emphasizing the importance of NASA as we move on in the 21st century, he has demonstrated compassion and understanding for immigrants, he has worked diligently to expand health care for all Americans and he has remained firm against tough regimes in Iran, Libya and North Korea.

While the Democrats and other political parties and organizations struggle to find a leader, President Bush has displayed that he is a confident leader, everyday. Yes indeed, love him or hate him, George W. Bush deserves to be the most respected man in America.



## Thoughts from the editors...

We hope everyone is having a good semester, as we finish our fourth week of classes. This Friday, we're about halfway to spring break with just four weeks to go until March 5.

This week, we hope you'll check out our political columns on page 4. Two students have shared opposing viewpoints on the State of the Union address from last week. Read them, consider them, and let us know what you think. We'd love to have a continuing dialogue about political issues as we move through the 2004 primary and Presidential election season.

Also, as we get farther into the semester, the staff at *La Vie* starts thinking about

putting together next year's staff. The newspaper is losing six members of its editorial staff at graduation, so there will be many opportunities for students to gain experience as writers, layout editors, copy editors and photographers. So come join us on Monday evenings and see what we're all about, or e-mail us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com).

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## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Sunday, Jan. 25, a student's vehicle tire was damaged in the Red Lot. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, Jan. 30, Public Safety received a complaint of loud noise in a residence hall. The complaint was resolved.

\*On Saturday, Jan. 31, Public Safety received a complaint of loud noise in a residence hall. The music was turned down.

\*On Saturday, Jan. 31, a College Ave. resident reported a harassing phone call to Public Safety that they believed came from a college student. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 1, Public Safety assisted Residence Life staff in breaking up a party in a residence hall.



## Lebanon Valley College Senior Send-Off

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## Bleachers: Grisham's latest

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Once more, John Grisham treks off his beaten path of courtroom drama books with his latest publication, *Bleachers*. It is the fascinating story of a small town called Messina, that lives, breathes and dies for football — their high school's team, the Messina Spartans, to be exact. The legendary Spartan coach, Eddie Rake, who made the Spartans a football dynasty, is on his deathbed. Being one of the town's most prominent citizens, Eddie Rake's imminent death has turned the town upside down. His "boys" from different years have gathered — some of them for the first time in 15 years or longer — at the field to hold a vigil of sorts, waiting for the field lights to go down, a symbolic end to the life of a legend. Meanwhile, the teams trade stories and relive their "glory days." Some of the "boys" must decide (in that now-or-never manner) if

they want to forgive Eddie Rake for things he has done to them.

The title has a somewhat odd double meaning. The bleachers in the title are either where the "boys" are sitting waiting for the lights, or it could be one of Eddie Rake's worst conditioning drills.

This book is incredibly interesting. I like Grisham's work, but I'm not rabidly crazy about it like some people I know. And I really don't like football. I find baseball, basketball and many other sports more interesting and worth keeping track of all the stats for. But this book struck a chord in me for some reason. The words are simple, yet strangely poetic. The characters are revealed slowly, but many of them are not known beyond their high school football years and a sort of "Where are they now?" overview. But at a mere 163 pages, it is a short, engaging read. (Honestly. Your required reading is longer than that.) Or, if you prefer, invest in the book on tape or CD. Either way, it's an excellent story.

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## Pub Opens Tomorrow!!

*This week's historical section features two articles, printed on February 7, 1985, and February 15, 1990, respectively. Whether you stop in at the Underground to grab lunch on the go or to dance on a wild Saturday night, the "UG" hasn't been around forever. In fact, these two articles detail the opening of the multi-functional Underground and subsequent renovations that have helped mold it into the fine establishment we have at our disposal today. Read on and compare the uses and features of "the club" then to the "UG" we have now.*

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By Loraine Englert

This weekend the place to be at LVC will be the Grand Opening of the newly created pub, which is nicknamed The Underground. Bringing the pub into existence has involved the joint cooperation of many campus organizations. The goal in creating such a location is to have a place where everyone can go to relax and enjoy themselves.

The entrance to the pub itself is located on Sheridan Avenue; it will be open 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., every Friday and Saturday night. There will be no admittance form within the college center. If students wish to use the facilities in the college center, their hands will be stamped to allow reentry.

Plans for the Grand Opening included a dance hosted by FM104's Jim Payne on Friday night. The food available will be a specialized menu centered around a different theme each night. Friday's theme will be Mexican, and the nonalcoholic drinks which will be served will coordinate with the theme. Non-alcoholic beer will be available at all times. Pastries will also be served. Saturday's plans include a performance by the Jazz Band and fill-in DJ.

The club will be staffed by different organizations each weekend. Opening weekend the pub will be run by members of APO. The sophomore class will be in charge the following weekend.

Ruth Anderson, Delphian president and a member of the steering committee, books the entertainment for the pub. She hopes that each weekend will consist of one night devoted to dancing and the other to a different type of entertainment. If you have any ideas for performances you would like to see at the pub, Ruth would welcome them. Also, for those who want a say in what they are eating, make your suggestions to Kerri

Douglas, steering committee president. The pub has no official name yet. There will be an opportunity for LVC student to name the pub at a later date.

The pub will operate from profits made on food and drinks. There is no cover charge.

### The New Underground: New Features Will Provide Quality Entertainment

The Underground, LVC's student-managed social club, has several new features to offer to the college community this spring semester. The changes, according to Underground Steering Committee President Rich Kroth, are in line with the club's aims to attract varied groups of students and provide quality entertainment.

Through a volunteer-work system, a dancing deck is currently being installed. The renovations are all geared towards "creating a more club-like atmosphere."

"We want to make the club more appealing to everyone in campus," Kroth explained.

A new "cave-like entrance" is also being planned to really give the club an "Underground" effect. The new entrance would be located at the back of the club, which would separate it from the college center.

So far, the renovation cost has amounted to \$200. The money was taken from the club's \$0.50 entrance fee last semester.

This semester, the Committee decided to raise the entrance price to \$1.00 to be able to finance other renovation and promotional projects, such as ski-trips to Quebec, free movie tickets, give-away CD's and sponsorship of live professional bands.

"We are working to make the underground not only more club-like, but also a safer and more enjoyable recreation/entertainment place," Kroth said. This semester, they are employing the services of a professional bouncer to ward off "drunkards" and other troublemakers who had disrupted other Underground goers in the past.

The attendance and the quality of the crowd have been steadily satisfactory these past few weeks. Some students, in a random survey, have expressed very positive approval of the changes being made.

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## Organ recital offers great variety

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On Sunday, Jan. 25, music faculty member Dr. Shelly Moorman-Stahlman presented an organ recital with a program that featured a varied selection of pieces for organ and included vocalists Rebecca Lister and Philip Morgan.

The recital began with a performance by Ryan Brunkhorst, a 10-year-old organist who was the recipient of a scholarship from the Harrisburg American Guild of Organists chapter to study with Moorman-Stahlman last summer. From the moment Brunkhorst sat down at the organ, it was obvious why he had received the scholarship. He was a very talented performer, and one could sense the youthful enthusiasm in his playing.

Moorman-Stahlman's program began with J. S. Bach's Fugue in E Flat Major, a rather traditional-sounding piece for the organ compared to much of the rest of the program. She then performed two hymns by Calvin Hampton, a featured composer for the program. The first hymn, "Let All the World in Every Corner Sing," included both Lister and Morgan, and the second, "There's Wideness in God's Mercy" included only Lister. Both vocalists were excellent, and the blend of voices and organ in these hymns made a rich, beautiful sound overall.

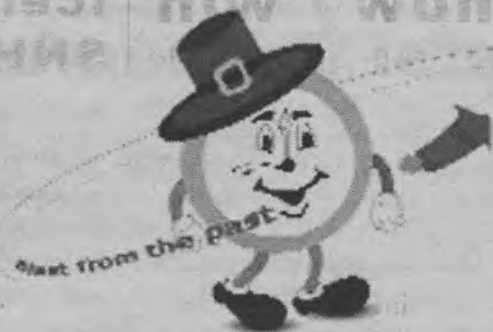
The next pieces, collectively titled "Hampton's Five Dances," performed in the memory of the composer who died 20

years ago, were a sharp contrast from the previous pieces. Their rhythmic lines, dissonant harmonies, and overall playfulness were far from the traditional sound of both the hymns and Bach's piece. Before performing the dances, Moorman-Stahlman explained that they were a favorite of hers ever since childhood. It was easy to see why, as they were such an intriguing departure from the usual hymns and concertos associated with organ music.

The next three pieces, Cesar Franck's "Cantabile," the "Scherzo" from Louis Vierne's "Symphony II" and the "Andante Sostenuto" from Charles Marie Widor's "Symphony Gothique" were again a change from the previous pieces on the program. These three were lyrical and often delicate, leaning more toward traditional organ music.

Yet it was LVC music professor Scott Eggert's "Mycenae: Graveshaft V" that was the real highlight of the program. It began quietly and solemnly then suddenly plunged into what seemed like complete chaos. At times, its rhythmic, weaving, dissonant lines sounded more like three organs playing at once, and it was obvious that the piece was quite complex.

As a whole, the program showed both the versatility of the organ and Moorman-Stahlman's excellent musicianship. Her enthusiasm for both the organ and the pieces she chose were evident, and her choices revealed that the organ is not just an instrument for church services, but for complex concert pieces and dances as well.



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**LVC's Scores:  
1/26-2/2****Men's Basketball:**

1/28 vs. Juniata L, 45-63  
1/31 vs. Messiah W, 83-67  
Record: 12-7  
Conference: 6-2

**Women's Basketball:**

1/28 vs. Juniata W, 80-62  
1/31 vs. Messiah L, 62-72  
Record: 15-2  
Conference: 6-2

**Ice Hockey:**

1/31 vs. Southern N.H. W, 6-1  
Record: 11-7  
Conference: 9-2

**Men's Swimming:**

1/27 vs. Arcadia W, 74-41  
1/30 vs. Widener L, 58-102  
Record: 4-6  
Conference: 1-3

**Women's Swimming:**

1/27 vs. Arcadia W, 120-81  
1/30 vs. Widener L, 79-112  
Record: 3-8  
Conference: 0-5

**Indoor track:**

1/31 vs. Widener Relays  
Men: non-scoring  
Women: non-scoring

## Indoor track performs well at Widener meet

### Four athletes take second places

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Lebanon Valley made several impressive performances Saturday at the Widener Invitational amid a field including Division I and II schools.

Freshman Alan Newsome, junior Jordan Newell, sophomore Latoya Stewart and senior Amy Wagner brought home top honors, each finishing second in their respective events.

Newell cleared 6-2 in the high jump, while Stewart also finished second in the high jump with a 4-11 effort. Wagner tied for second in the women's pole vault with a 9-6 vault.

Newsome crossed the line in 24.13 seconds in the 200, just two-tenths of a second behind the unattached runner who took first. He also joined junior Matt Hauk, freshman Bryan Laird and junior Mitch Nyman in the 4x160 relay, where the group placed third in a time of 1:17.54. Hauk

also raced to a third place finish in the 400 behind a 53.45 second effort.

Seniors Jeremy Rea and Rob Schaefer teamed with freshmen Ryan Letsche and Ryan Webber in the 4x800 relay, turning in a 9:15.32 clocking for fifth place. In the field, sophomore Jimmy Buckson cleared 13 feet in the pole vault to finish third.

Sophomore Kelly Hilkert ran a 1:05.5 in the 400 to finish sixth, and freshman Jamie Reynolds placed seventh in the 800, breaking the tape in 2:35.41.

In the field, sophomore Bonnie Susan tied for sixth in the long jump with a 144.5 effort, and later posted a 30-11 triple jump for sixth in that event. Freshman Mandy Warner also tied for sixth in the pole vault by clearing 8-6.

There was no team scoring in the meet.

Next up for the Dutchmen will be a trip Ursinus on Saturday.

## The Valley Tally: Everything going on in LVC sports

**Eaby named to the conference honor roll**

Junior guard Erin Eaby of the women's basketball team was named to the Commonwealth Conference honor roll for her performance last week, conference officials announced Monday. Eaby averaged 21 points and 3.5 steals per game in a 1-1 week for the Valley. She was instrumental in LVC's 80-62 win over Juniata last Wednesday, scoring 17 of her 23 points in the second half. For the week, Eaby shot an incredible 61.3 percent from the floor.

**Swimming teams drop dual meet at Widener**

In the final dual meet of the season, the men's and women's swimming teams wrapped up their regular season slate with losses to Widener last Friday. The men's team lost 102-58 while the women's team dropped a 112-79 decision. Sophomore Jenn Kush was LVC's lone winner, winning the 100-meter backstroke in a time of 1:06.51. The men's squad finished the season at 4-6 overall and 1-3 in the conference while the women finished 3-8 overall and 0-5 in the MAC.

**Athletes of the Week**

Senior forward **Anthony Pace** scored two power play goals and added an assist in LVC's 6-1



Junior guard **Erin Eaby** averaged 21 points and 3.5 steals per game in two games last week for women's basketball.

Photos courtesy of Sports Information

## Swimmers send off seniors with snowy win

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Senior night is always a special event in any collegiate sport. For coach Mary Gardner's men's and women's swim teams, the long-time relationship between the athletes and the coach make it more special than most.

Of the 16 seniors making their final home performances against Arcadia on Jan. 27, several of them had swum with Gardner since childhood. Men's team captain Adam Demchak, for example, a graduate of Annville-Cleona high school, had been with Gardner for 15 years, since he was just six years old.

"I would say that that group of seniors is probably the one that really taught me that the swim team is a family," Gardner said after her squads



Senior Adam Demchak made his final appearance at LVC last Tuesday, winning both the 50- and 100-free events.

swept Arcadia. Everyone involved seemed grateful just to have the chance to compete, hitting the pool even as several inches of snow was coating the Lebanon Valley.

"I was very ecstatic," said Gardner, who preferred not to postpone the meet due to the upcoming MAC championships next weekend. "We were very fortunate."

In addition to the emotional send-off on the pool deck, the action in the water was outstanding for the Valley. Sophomore Isaac Greene continued his outstanding performance by tying a 12 year-old school record in the 100-meter breaststroke with a time of 1:16:10.

Several others won multiple events, with Demchak tak-

ing the 50-free (27.95 seconds) and the 100-free (1:02.34 sec.) and freshman Matt Woods capturing the 200-free (2:26.68) and the 100-fly (1:11.84).

The men's team won 74-41.

The women's side racked up six wins, with sophomore Sam Meglino taking the 100-fly in 1:19.79 and classmate Jenn Kush winning the 100-back in 1:17.33. Senior Joanna Tiedeken turned in a time of 1:10.39 in winning the 100-free. Freshmen Danielle Kern and Hannah Plimpton rounded out the LVC individual victories by winning the 400-free and 100-breast, respectively.

The women's team won 120-81.

In relay action, the team of Kush, Plimpton, Meglino, and junior Shanalyn Sweigart won the 200-medley in 2:18.90

The swimmers will return to action Feb. 13 at the MAC championships.

## Icers slam SNH 6-1

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are 9-2 in the ECAC Northeast, tied for first with Wentworth Institute of Technology. The Dutchmen's next game is against the very Wentworth team that they are tied for first with this Saturday in Boston. Despite having lost four straight against Wentworth, the Dutchmen have two advantages heading into the game. One is that they are on a major role as of late having won seven straight conference games.

The second is that this past Monday, in surprising move, Wentworth fired their head coach for undisclosed reasons and put the team's assistant in charge for the rest of the season.

This distraction for Wentworth combined with the Dutchmen's solid play as of late could be the proper concoction for the Dutchmen's first win over the Leopards since the confer-



## Men's basketball retakes conference lead with 83-67 win over Messiah

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The Dutchmen rebound after winning one of their last three games, Saturday, with an 83-67 win over Messiah. The Valley reclaimed sole possession of first place in the Commonwealth Conference after Widener and Susquehanna lost.

Senior guard, Evan Harlor, led the Dutchmen offensive with a season high 24 points. Harlor shot 80 percent from behind the arch and pulls within 43 points of reaching the 1000-point mark. J.D. Byers contributed 19 points against the Falcons.

The Dutchmen trailed Messiah by only a point at the half and stormed back in the second half to win by 16. The Valley shot 50 percent from the floor and outscored the Falcons 46-29 in the second half.

The game was huge for the Valley to stay ahead of the pack in the Commonwealth Conference. The three-way tie for first ended Saturday with the Dutchmen standing alone



Junior guard J.D. Byers, seen in this file photo, scored 19 points and stole three in Saturday's win over Messiah

on top of the conference. Sophomore forward Dan Hogan said, "By us winning that game it made sure we were still on top of the league. The two other teams lost and put us alone on top." He added, "Plus, it was huge to get a win after losing to Juniata. We haven't played as well at home, so it is important to win games on the road."

The Valley was held to a season low 45 points against Juniata. The Dutchmen shot

only 27 percent from the floor and the second leading scorer in the conference J.D. Byers was held under 10 for the first time this season. The lowest total result in the Dutchmen's second conference loss on the season. The Dutchmen take a 12-7 record overall and 6-2 in the Commonwealth Conference into Saturday against Susquehanna in a battle of two of the top teams in the Commonwealth.

## Icers earn first-ever win at Southern New Hampshire

### Pace's pair set up the big Dutchmen win

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Before the season started Dutchmen head hockey coach Al MacCormack said that the only way to leave the ECAC Northeast at the end of the season is as conference champs. On Saturday evening the Dutchmen took one more step towards making that dream a reality as they downed Southern New Hampshire University by a 6-1 score to remain atop the standings in the ECAC Northeast.



Freshman Ben Gray, who stopped 27 shots

Aside from keeping the Dutchmen in first place the victory was made even sweeter by the fact that it was the first time the Dutchmen have ever beat Southern New Hampshire at the

Penman's home arena.

The Dutchmen got the scoring started 4:03 into the contest when Brendon Herr snapped a wrister past Southern New Hampshire netminder Rory Parnell. The score would remain 1-0 until the 3:43 mark of the second period when Cameron Vandever tallied a powerplay goal off assists from Anthony Pace and Matt Fishbone to make it 2-0. Just over five minutes later Andreas Wochtl would extend the Dutchmen lead to three when he picked up his third goal of the season. Lebanon Valley would lengthen its lead yet again before the close of the second period off a goal from Jeff Smith with just 23 seconds left in the period. Fishbone picked up his

## Messiah halts win streak at 10

### Women lose just second of the year in battle of Top 20 teams

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Despite a second-half push that nearly put them over the top, the Lebanon Valley College women's basketball team just couldn't get over the hump Saturday night, losing 72-62 to rivals Messiah College.

In a game that would determine who was top dog in the Commonwealth, LVC failed to regain the lead after Messiah's Katrina Green hit a three with 12 minutes left in the first half, eventually leading a nine-point Falcon lead heading into the break.

The Dutchmen ran out of the locker rooms with a head of steam, however, scoring eight unanswered points to cut the deficit to one thanks to a pair of Erin Eaby layups.

The transition game, dormant for much of the first half, was the spark to the LVC run, thanks to Eaby and junior Crystal Gibson, who ended with 19 and 16 points respectively.

Messiah, showing why they are considered one of the best teams in the country, didn't bat an

eye. Coach Mike Miller calmly called a time-out and the Falcons never looked back.

A 7-2 Messiah run ensued, with Green draining a long-range three-pointer to give the Falcons a 54-45 lead with six minutes to go. They pulled away from there, with Jess Unick, who finished with 21 points, capping things off with a layup with four minutes left to push the lead to ten.

Messiah, ranked 13th in the nation, was squaring off against 16th-ranked LVC for the second time this season. In their prior meeting, Messiah defeated LVC 54-52 on Dec. 6 in the debut of the LVC Gymnasium. That game was the last time LVC had lost, and Messiah has now won five in a row over the Valley.

The loss means that LVC will need some help if they want to gain the top seed in the Commonwealth play-offs. As of Monday, Messiah was tops in the conference at 8-0, with LVC and Moravian tied for second at 6-2. Widener would be the fourth seed if the playoffs started today, with a 5-3 record.

LVC returns to action Saturday against Susquehanna.

second assist on the night on the goal while Herr picked up his first assist and second point of the contest.

In the final stanza the Dutchmen would get two more goals, both off the stick of Pace, giving him three points on the game and 16 points since returning to the team in January.

The first of Pace's pair of goals came on the powerplay at 3:37 of the third period on a setup from Doug MacCormack. Pace's second tally would come just over nine minutes later as once again he would strike gold on the powerplay to give the Dutchmen a 6-0 lead. Wochtl picked up an assist on the goal, his second of the night to give him a three point contest.

Between the pipes for the Valley freshman Ben Gray turned in a solid performance stopping 27 of 28 shots, coming within two and a half minutes of his second career shutout.

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# LA VIE COLLEGIENNE

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## AIDS: our role in today's epidemic

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It affects more than 900,000 people in a year. It does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, race or religious affiliation. Many people are carrying the disease and do not even know it. Are you doing everything you can to protect yourself and others from this disease?

This deadly disease is acquired immunodeficiency syndrome, otherwise known as AIDS. It is caused by the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) and can live in the human body for more than 10 years before its symptoms appear. HIV, the beginning stage of the infection, leads to AIDS, which is the disease in its last stage.

AIDS affects the body by weakening its immunity and rendering it useless in fighting off disease and infection. Some symptoms of the disease include swollen lymph nodes, recurrent fevers,

rapid weight loss and decreased appetite.

The disease can be spread through unprotected sex, shared needles, and mothers' breast milk. Although it is less common today, AIDS can also be spread through blood transfusions. There is currently no vaccine or cure for AIDS, but there are ways that it can be prevented. Using protection, abstaining from sex and refusing to share needles with others are three important ways the disease can be prevented.

LVC has recently taken on the task of discussing the topic of AIDS in the classroom. The course entitled "AIDS" is taught by biology professor Dr. Dale Erskine and takes an in-depth look at the history and effects of this deadly disease.

"AIDS," which has been taught at LVC since 1998, "deals with not only the biological perspective of the disease, but also the social, economic, religious and political issues affecting it," says Erskine. Some of the pertinent topics covered in the course include misconceptions about AIDS, federal funding for AIDS research, AIDS patients' rights and preventative measures for AIDS transmission.

Perhaps the most important topic discussed is AIDS awareness and education. "Students think that they know a lot, but they discover that they don't," says Erskine. About 20 years ago, AIDS was infecting individuals in their 20s and 30s, but currently the disease is striking individuals in their teens. According to Erskine, AIDS has jumped a generation, and many teens are contracting it.

The disease has made its way to college campuses, becoming a real concern for students, he says.

As a means of increasing awareness about AIDS, the students in the course are required to do a project centering around AIDS and its impact on society. Project ideas exhibited by students have included volunteering at the AIDS Community Alliance in Harrisburg, making safe sex kits for local clinics, participating in the AIDS walk in Philadelphia and raising money for AIDS awareness organizations.

The projects along with the information presented in the course better inform the students about AIDS. "The experiences in the course impact students, and they come away with a better knowledge of AIDS," says Erskine.

For more information about AIDS education, awareness and prevention, contact the AIDS Community Alliance in Harrisburg at (717) 233-7190, or visit the Center for Disease Control's Web site at [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov).



## HOW TO USE A CONDOM

First of all, it is important to be aware of the difference between latex condoms and natural lambskin condoms. Skin condoms are highly effective in preventing pregnancy because, like latex condoms, they do not permit sperm to pass through the walls of the condom. However, since they are made of natural membrane, the material contains tiny pores which may allow the microscopic AIDS virus to pass through. To protect yourself and your partner from HIV, choose an FDA-approved latex condom.

Stored properly, condoms are good 3-5 years from the date of manufacture. Heat and light deteriorate latex condoms, increasing the likelihood of breakage during use. Do not store condoms near heat vents, light fixtures or in direct sunlight. Other places to avoid storing condoms are the glove compartment of a car and in your wallet.

1. Open package at one corner, being careful not to tear into the condom; sharp fingernails or rough handling can damage the latex. Be sure package and condom appear to be in good condition. Check the expiration date if it has one.
2. Squeeze the tip of the condom. This is to eliminate air bubbles as you unroll it onto an erect penis. Leaving the tip empty helps reduce the chance of breakage and allows room for the ejaculation fluid.
3. Unroll the condom fully, to base of penis, if possible. The proper fit is important and there are a lot of different styles available. There ARE different sizes of condoms available. If you are having problems with fit, check for a size that might suit you better.
4. After intercourse, withdraw while the penis is still erect and hold onto the base of the condom to prevent contents from spilling.

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## Thoughts from the editors

We would like to take this opportunity to explain this week's very special edition of *La Vie*. Though your first reaction might be shock or laughter, we sincerely hope this issue serves as both a wake-up call and learning tool.

While cleaning out the files of *La Vie* last year, we came across an issue from 1996. This issue was much like the one you are now reading. Its purpose was to shock people into realizing how important it was to practice safe sex. Now, eight years later, our issue is here to do the same.

Do not just put the paper down after you notice the condom on the front. More importantly, read the statistics, stories and information our staff has gathered in order to make the LVC community better educated about AIDS, sexually transmitted infections and prevention! We may be in Annville, Pa. where some days, we may think nothing happens. But the truth is, AIDS happens everywhere - even here.

The staff at *La Vie* would also like to note that the purpose of this issue is not to make a moral statement on sexual intercourse. It is not our position to tell college students, or anyone, whether or not they should be having sex. However, we feel that anyone who chooses to do so should be aware of the potential consequences such as AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases and should do so in a safe and responsible manner to reduce those risks. If we are able to save just one life through this issue, then we have in our own way been able to make the world a better place.

We would like to thank all the staff that helped to put this issue together, including Dr. Erskine and the Aids Community Alliance of Harrisburg for the donation of 500 condoms. Special thanks also goes to the *La Vie Collegienne* staff of 1995-96 for the inspiration.

**You will notice the four outside pages of the paper are the special edition; the remaining four inside pages are the regular issue featuring news and sports.**

## STDs are a common threat

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Although AIDS and HIV are the most well-known of sexually transmitted diseases, there are plenty of others that can be anything from annoying to fatal. Condoms can help protect against many of them.

According to the American Social Health Association, two-thirds of all STDs occur in people under the age of 25, and it is estimated that there are over 65 million people in the United States that are living with an incurable disease. Statistically, at least one in every four Americans will contract an STD during their lives.

Some STDs, such as herpes or crabs, can still be transmitted even with the proper use of condoms. However, condoms greatly reduce the risk of contracting many common STDs such as chlamydia, gonorrhea, hepatitis and syphilis.

However, only latex and polyurethane condoms can prevent the spread of STDs. Lambskin or natural condoms contain

pores large enough to allow HIV and hepatitis to pass through.

Herpes, for example, is the most common STD in America, with 45 million people having the lifelong disease. Although there are plenty of commercials for prescription drugs to control herpes, there is no cure for it. The disease can still be passed on even if a person doesn't show the symptom of painful blisters. A condom can greatly decrease the risk of transmission if this is the case.

Chlamydia is another example of a common sexually transmitted disease in the United States. Around three million cases occur annually, according to the Center for Disease Control. Seventy-five percent of women and 50 percent of men don't even exhibit symptoms, but chlamydia can still cause discharge and inflammation in men and vaginal discharge and abdominal pain in women. Since it is bacterial, chlamydia is curable with antibiotics; however, any damage done before treatment can be permanent. Again, use of a condom can greatly reduce the chance of transmission.

**In 2003, AIDS caused the deaths of about 3 million people worldwide.**

## Of the approximately 40 million with AIDS/HIV worldwide:

- \*There have been about 886,575 cumulative AIDS cases in the United States.**
- \*About 28,136 of these cumulative AIDS cases are in Pennsylvania.**
- \*Approximately 130 of these cumulative AIDS cases are in Lebanon County, and about 70 AIDS patients are currently living.**
- \*AIDS has caused the deaths of about 501,669 Americans.**

Compiled by Marne Wessner '05. Statistics are from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site ([www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)) and the Pennsylvania Department of Health Web site ([www.dsf.health.state.pa.us](http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us)).



## LVC tuition hike lower than past years'

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The board of trustees of LVC has announced a 4.6 percent total increase in tuition, fees, room and board for the 2004-05 school year. This will bring LVC's tuition to \$22,950, required fees for full-time residential students to \$650 and room fees with full-board plan to \$6,590. Required fees for commuter students will remain unchanged at \$550 a year.

The 4.6 percent increase scheduled for next year is the lowest percent increase in the past several years. Last year's increase was 5.7 percent, and

the year before that the increase was 6.3 percent.

In addition to this year's increase being the lowest in several years, LVC's tuition increase is lower than other Pennsylvania college's tuition increases. The National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities reported an increase of 14.1 percent for four-year, public institutions during the 2003-04 school year. Private, four-year institutions have shown a 6 percent increase in the past year.

President G. David Pollick said that the college would continue to set aside additional funds for current students to help offset the increase. Students have the oppor-

tunity to receive one of three presidential scholarships, based on their class rank when graduating from high school.

The Vickroy scholarship offers students who rank in the top 10 percent of their high-school graduating classes a one-half-tuition scholarship, or \$11,475. Leadership recipients, students ranking in the top 20 percent, receive a one-third-tuition scholarship, or \$7,650. Achievement recipients, students ranking in the top 30 percent, receive a one-quarter-tuition scholarship, or \$5,737.50.

These scholarships do not include any additional scholarships and financial aid students may receive.



Only two entrances remain open while a construction fence blocks Lynch's remaining doors.

## Lynch: what's up and what's going to be new

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Have you been wondering what's going on behind those temporary walls in Lynch, or maybe why construction did not start in December as planned? Well, here's an update on the current renovations taking place in Lynch Memorial Hall.

According to Dr. Robert Hamilton, vice president for administration, the delay in construction was "due to the need to reduce the costs of the project in order to meet the budget." Now that construction is underway, Hamilton said that the contractor is currently "proceeding with the demolition phase of the project." Hamilton also said that the winter weather has not affected any of the operations. The project itself is expected to take approximately nine months to finish.

So while the LVC community eagerly awaits its completion, here is what students, faculty and staff members can look forward to seeing and using next fall. According to communications assistant Jasmine Bucher, Lynch will have "new general purpose, technology-enabled classrooms, a lecture hall, faculty offices and seminar rooms for the departments of mathematical sciences and psychology."

Bucher also said the renovated building will feature observation laboratories for psychology and new facilities for the departments of business and economics and education, as well as for the digital communications program.

## Bakery offers delights

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There is a new addition to Annville: Mary Catherine's Bakery and Café at 35 W. Main St.

The atmosphere is relaxing and modern. The tables and chairs are black and silver, real carnations are placed on the tables, modern paintings adorn the walls and jazz music plays softly over the sound system.

Most importantly are the baked goods at the counter. The chocolate cheesecake, raspberry cheesecake, chocolate mousse pie and white chocolate strawberry cake are delectable.

A large blackboard behind the counter lists the breakfast and lunch sandwiches that are also offered. For example, you can

order a Van Gogh, which consists of turkey, smoked gouda, romaine and lemon chipotle spread. Then, you have your choice of sodas, juices, water, coffee, or espressos. The prices are reasonable, too.

David Nissley, the entrepreneur who started Mary Catherine's Bakery and Café, said that the business was named in honor of his late grandmother, Mary Catherine. His mother began selling cakes at Nissley's in Cleona in 1998. Later, she bought Bud's Quality Foods. In the spring of



Mary Catherine's Bakery, located next to J&S Pizza on Main Street in Annville, opened at the beginning of the month.

2003, his mother needed more space to maintain her venture. Nissley found the bakery's current location before it was available on the real estate market.

The bakery and café, which is seeking about 12 additional people to assist customers, is open Monday through Friday, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 7 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Friday, Feb. 6, parking complaints were received from Annville township residents during the snowstorm. The issues were resolved.

\*On Saturday, Feb. 7, Public Safety received and responded to a call that there were a number of males causing a disturbance in a residence hall. When Public Safety arrived, no suspects could be located.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 8, a student reported that upon return to campus from a weekend at home, the residence hall room was trashed. The room was left open. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 8, a resident of College Avenue called Public Safety and indicated reception of harassing phone calls they believe to be college-related. Investigation continues.

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## Trustee encourages involvement

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Think about our lives as college students. We can stay up until the wee hours of the morning finishing our final papers and still make that 8 a.m. class. We spend our job money on Wal-Mart and Turkey Hill runs. We use AOL Instant Messenger as if we couldn't communicate without it. And we hear details about each other's lives because we go to a small college. We deal with all types of drama every day, from relationships to cramming for tests.

When college life gets chaotic, I think of how blessed I am to be a college student at LVC. I think of how all our lives have been positively touched by LVC. You may have met a professor who inspired you or sparked your career path, or your sports team gets that win after weeks of practice. Perhaps you met your soul mate, someone who would change the course of your life. Even as a high-school senior visiting LVC, I noticed something different about this campus that separated it from every other college. Lebanon Valley had a warm and inviting presence from the start.

As a sophomore, I kept seeing signs on campus about interviewing for the position of student trustee. I felt that with my love for this college, the position would be a perfect opportunity for me to give back to the college and broaden my LVC experience.

To begin, I wanted to find out everything I could about being a student trustee. I went to a luncheon held with Sherri Pursel '04, the senior student trustee, to find out more about the process and the experience. The steps involve a nomination and election process conducted through student elections. The three students receiving the highest number of votes are then scheduled to interview with the trusteeship committee of the Board of Trustees. It would seem that this interview process

would be intimidating; however, I immediately felt comfortable in the interview because of the warm reception and friendly smiles of the committee members.

The committee nominates one student to serve a two-year term; this nomination is brought before the full Board at the spring meeting in May. This process starts at the beginning of March, so look for upcoming information.

My experience as a student trustee has been incredible. I have had the opportunity to appreciate the details of all the work it takes to run a college. Most of all, I am surrounded by people who have a deep-rooted love for LVC. The Board of Trustees cares about the welfare of each student. All the time and dedication they spend is for our benefit. It's an honor to be a part of such a wonderful group of people.

During the past year, I've attended the annual Board meeting and the fall retreat in the Poconos, served on the facilities committee and an ad hoc task force on academic affairs, attended an advancement committee meeting as a guest and will also be a guest at the next strategic planning committee meeting.

I highly encourage rising juniors with a passion for LVC to consider becoming a student trustee. The Board of Trustees is one of the most phenomenal groups of people I've had the honor to be a part of. At the fall retreat, the Board expressed an interest in learning more about LVC student life and vice versa. In return, Sherri Pursel and I will be providing articles about our experience as student trustees in future editions of *La Vie*.

Being one of the student trustees has been an experience I'm very proud of. Please feel free to contact me or Karin Right-Nolan, executive assistant to the president, to learn more about this great opportunity.

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## A Civil Action: intelligently dramatic

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How many of John Grisham's fictional legal novels have been adapted to the silver screen and lost their luster in the process? Nearly all of them (i.e. *The Firm*, *Runaway Jury*, etc). Only in rare cases do movies go out of their way to outweigh or even match the effects and intentions of their textual basis. This transitional book-to-film loss is especially typical in storylines found under courtroom settings. However, *A Civil Action*, based on a true story and adapted from Jonathan Harr's book of the same title, is not your average Grisham law novel-turned-screenplay, where the dramatic courtroom twists and turns through testimony and legal actions seem overly melodramatic and overwrought, and where predictable triumphant revelations always abound; instead, it is an intelligent legal drama/thriller with a great overall cast that does not disappoint.

John Travolta plays Jan Schlichtmann, a personal injury lawyer and one of Boston's 10 most eligible bachelors. Jan ends up taking an "orphan case" (a case that has been passed around from firm to firm), which deals with the deaths of eight children - all due to several carelessly disposed of chemicals found in the local drinking water. It is not until Jan realizes the substantial financial gain when he signs on and begins working in collaboration with his entire five-man firm. In an effort to win the biggest case of his career against two very wealthy companies and in an attempt to not lose everything, he must succeed and win his civil action suit, making a storyline and plot that is strikingly similar to the more recent *Erin Brockovich* film.

This film's all-star-esque cast assists in the

overall impact of the film tremendously.

Despite Travolta being a big name and a big-time actor, his lead role as Jan, who seems to wear the same three-piece suit, red tie and black overcoat in every scene, is not very powerful or convincing. Then again, he does portray a lawyer; so maybe he is just skillfully fitting the stereotype. However, I believe that the once Danny Zuko was in fact a miscast. Luckily Robert Duvall, William H. Macy, Tony Shalhoub, John Lithgow, Kathleen Quinter and James Gandophini all make up for where Travolta lacks.

*A Civil Action* takes a great deal of time with the validity of the true story's trials and tribulations. Throughout the film we acquire statistics on personal injury lawsuits, tidbits of knowledge on why most cases end in settlements and not verdicts and even information on the chemical process of how to waterproof leather. The picture takes the time to intrigue us with intellectual matters concerning both science and public policy. The good thing about this film is that it doesn't spoil itself by relying on inane action to keep it afloat; instead, it focuses on the sciences and laws at hand and surprisingly still manages to sustain the audience's interest.

There is no question that *A Civil Action* and *Erin Brockovich* both have parallel true stories and both address similar situations. But, if given a choice, I would have preferred the female counterpart feature as the selection into the colloquium film series - not only so you could see a beautiful woman in her Oscar-winning role, but also so that you could see a hands-down better picture. Nonetheless, *A Civil Action* is on the higher end of those in its class, and I would not object to recommending it as a book-to-film legal drama that will not hold any viewer in contempt.

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## Men's basketball stays tied for first

### Record crowd sees Dutchmen edge Susquehanna 68-61

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The Lebanon Valley College men's basketball team took a giant step toward a Commonwealth Conference regular-season title Saturday with an energetic 68-61 win over Susquehanna University.

The victory snapped a three-game home losing streak for the Flying Dutchmen, who ironically wore their blue away jerseys for the game at the LVC Gymnasium. The crowd of 1,512 was a record for the gym.

The win also secured a share of first place in the conference for the Dutchmen after Widener defeated Elizabethtown to join them in a tie at the top.

Sophomore forward Dave Kasyan led the way for the Dutchmen by scoring 19 points and pulling down nine rebounds. His layup with 7:25 left in the game ended a 5-0 Susquehanna run that cut LVC's lead to just six. Susquehanna stormed back, pulling within as many as three points with four and a half minutes to go, but LVC managed to hold on anyway.

Only four points were scored in the final four minutes, all of them LVC free throws. The Dutchmen failed to connect on a field goal for the final seven minutes.

Junior point guard J.D. Byers earned a double-double with 15 points and 10 assists, while senior guard Evan Harlor dropped nine points. Harlor is now 24 points away from becoming Lebanon Valley's 28th career 1,000-point scorer. Byers scored his 1,000th point earlier this season at Susquehanna on Jan. 17.

Defense was key to the winning effort, with LVC outrebounding Susquehanna 40-32 overall and 29-19 on the defensive boards. The Dutchmen also held Chris Zimmerman, who averages 14 points per game for Susquehanna, to just five points.

The win put LVC in a good position in the conference heading into the home stretch. The Dutchmen have four games left, including critical showdowns with Elizabethtown and conference co-leader Widener. With six teams all within two games of each other vying for four conference spots, LVC may need to win out their schedule to secure a home playoff game.

With the win, Lebanon Valley improved to 13-8 overall and 7-3 in Commonwealth play, while Susquehanna fell to 13-7 and 5-5 in the conference. Next up for LVC will be their final home game of the season this Saturday against Elizabethtown. Tip-off is set for 2 p.m. on Hot Dog Frank Day.

## Icers chill Wentworth 4-2



MacCormack on the ice during the game.

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What do a goat, Babe Ruth, Bill Buckner and the Wentworth Institute of Technology Leopards have in common? The answer is, until this past Saturday that is, that they are all monkeys on the collective backs of three talented sports teams. And while the Chicago Cubs (the goat) and the Boston Red Sox (Ruth and Buckner) will have to wait at least another year to shake free of their personal jinxes, the LVC hockey team finally managed to stamp out theirs as they defeated Wentworth by a 4-2 score on Saturday evening.

The Dutchmen had lost four straight games against the Leopards including the 2002 and 2003 conference championship

plus one regular season game in both 2002 and 2003. The last time the Dutchmen beat Wentworth was in March 2001 when they knocked off the Leopards 4-3 to win their first ECAC Northeast Conference title.

On Saturday night the Dutchmen looked like a team on a mission and that mission was to not only get the Wentworth monkey off their backs but to then pummel the monkey into submission. In the first period Lebanon Valley got a pair of goals to take a 2-0 lead. First it was Doug MacCormack getting a powerplay goal at the 9:06 mark of the first period from Cameron Vandever and Anthony Lattanze. Six minutes later the Dutchmen made it 2-0 when Alex Beatrice took a feed from Jason Slusher and beat Wentworth goaltender Raj Bhangoo, closing out the scoring in the first period.

In the second no goals were scored, but anyone who doubted that LVC and Wentworth are two of the biggest rivals in the ECAC Northeast battling for a top play-off seed had their doubts cast aside. In the period, a total of 16 penalties were called, including two ten-minute infractions against the Leopards.

In the third Wentworth tried to make its comeback as they scored two goals in the first eight minutes of the period. But the Dutchmen remained calm and continued to forecheck and managed to pop two quick goals into the Leopard net in a span of just over two minutes. Scott Eberenz scored his seventh goal of the season and first of the game at the 12:22 mark to give the Dutchmen a 3-2, while Brendon Herr put the game on ice with his fourth goal of the season 14:45 into the third period.

In goal for the Dutchmen, Sonny Holding turned in a solid night backstopping the Dutchmen to the victory by stopping 27 of 29 shots. The victory was Holding's team-high sixth of the season.

With the win the Dutchmen stand 10-2 in the ECAC Northeast putting them in second place behind Curry, who has yet to lose a conference game this season. The win was the fifth straight for the Dutchmen who finish off their seven game road-trip this weekend with a pair of conference game. On Saturday they play at Suffolk and then Sunday at Worcester State. The

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## Newsome runs to school record at Ursinus Invite

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Indoor track season is just past its halfway point, but Alan Newsome made his mark in a big way last Saturday at the Frank Colden Invitational at Ursinus College last Saturday.

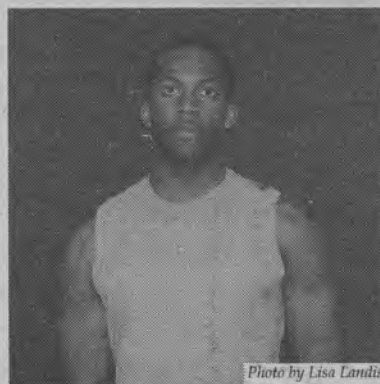
Newsome, a freshman sprinter, broke the school record in the 200 meter dash with a time of 23.47 seconds. The time just edges the former record, 23.54 seconds, set in 1995 by

Nate Hillegas '97. It was also good enough to give Newsome a fifth-place finish in the event.

On the women's side, senior Amy Wagner also came up big, winning the pole vault by clearing 2.9 meters (9' 6").

Sophomore Latoya Stewart finished third in both the high jump and triple jump, with respective marks of 1.52 meters (5' 0") and 10.09 meters (33' 1 1/4").

She also teamed with classmates Bonnie Susan and Kelly Hilkert and freshman Jamie



Freshman Alan Newsome, who set a school record in the 200 meter dash Saturday.

Reynolds in the 4x200 relay. The women crossed the line in 1:56.6 for a sixth-place finish.

Hilkert later placed fourth in the 400 with a time of 1:04.84, while Reynolds clocked in at 2:29.31 in the 800 to finish sixth.

Freshman Amy Hartman notched a fifth-place showing in the shot put with a heave of 9.38 meters (30' 9 1/4").

On the men's side, sophomore Jimmy Buckson cleared 3.81 meters (12' 6") in the pole vault to place fourth.

The meet was nonscoring.

The next meet for the Dutchmen will be at

Susquehanna University on Friday evening.

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**LVC's Scores:  
2/2-2/9****Men's Basketball:**

2/4 vs. Albright L, 78-76  
2/7 vs. Susquehanna W, 68-61  
Record: 13-8  
Conference: 7-3

**Women's Basketball:**

2/3 vs. Albright W, 58-32  
2/5 vs. Delaware Valley W, 61-58  
2/7 vs. Susquehanna W, 55-32  
Record: 18-2  
Conference: 8-2

**Ice Hockey:**

2/3 vs. Neumann W, 5-4  
2/7 vs. Wentworth W, 4-2  
Record: 13-7  
Conference: 10-2

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Men: non-scoring  
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**Hockey wins**

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Dutchmen return home to close out the regular season with games Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 21-22 against Stone Hill and Western New England. Saturday's game will be played at Twin Ponds East while Sunday's game will be at the Dutchmen's usual home of Hersheypark Arena.

**Valley women post 3-0 week on the court**

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Defense was the name of the game for the Lebanon Valley College women's basketball team, as they held their opponent to just 32 points in two of their three wins last week.

Lebanon Valley finished the week 3-0 with conference wins over Albright College and Susquehanna University and an important non-conference win against Delaware Valley College.

On Saturday, the Valley sent Susquehanna home after an impressive 55-32 victory. The Dutchmen forced 28 Crusader turnovers while committing just 10 of their own and held Susquehanna just 21.4 percent shooting in the game, including 15 percent in the second half.

Junior guard Erin Eaby led the way in the scoring column for LVC with 16 points while classmate Crystal Gibson chipped in 15 of her own. Much of the scoring for the Valley came as the result of Susquehanna's mistakes, with 26 LVC points coming off turnovers.

Junior forward Tamika Rogers also had a solid game, pulling down 14 boards and scoring eight points. Junior center Jennifer Northcott also did well, grabbing 10 rebounds, scoring 12 points, and stealing five in a terrific defensive performance.

Their other conference win came last Tuesday with a decisive 58-32 win over a helpless Albright team that managed just 10 points in the first half. All 11 players who

dressed for LVC saw playing time, and 10 of them scored.

That game was another defensive showpiece for the Dutchmen, as they forced 28 turnovers and scored 24 points off of them. Northcott led the way, with 13 points and 10 boards on 6-of-8 shooting. Sophomore forward Terri Faust scored 10 points off the bench in only 11 minutes of play.

LVC's only real test of the week came on Thursday against Delaware Valley, who play in the tough MAC Freedom conference. The Aggies would not quit, as the lead changed hands 16 times before LVC secured a 61-58 win. The result was in doubt until Tamika Rogers blocked a three-point shot by DVC's Jackie Hartzell with five seconds left, giving the Dutchmen the final look and the win.

The Dutchmen also out-rebounded the Aggies 62-43, with their 62 rebounds stopping just five shy of the school record set in 1994 against Albright.

Lebanon Valley's lead was cut to just a point with 25 ticks on the clock after Bridget Golden hit a pair of free throws for the Aggies. The Dutchmen played keep-away on the inbounds, though, shaving nine seconds off the clock before Del Val could intentionally foul. Eaby made her pair at the line to secure the three-point victory.

The trio of wins put LVC at 18-2 overall and 8-2 in conference play. The women's next game will be Saturday against a tough Elizabethtown team at 4 p.m. on Hot Dog Frank Day.

**The Valley Tally:  
Dutchmen honored****Swim teams gear up for MAC Championships**

The Lebanon Valley College men's and women's swimming teams will compete this weekend at the MAC Championships in Wilkes-Barre.

**MacCormack just six shy of 100 career points**

After posting a goal and an assist in men's ice hockey's 4-2 victory over conference rivals Wentworth, senior Doug MacCormack has now tallied 94 career points. MacCormack has four regular season games and at least one playoff contest left to earn his spot as LVC's fifth 100-point scorer.

**Eaby and Kasyan earn spots on MAC Honor Roll**

Junior guard Erin Eaby from the women's basketball team and sophomore forward Dave Kasyan of the men's team were named to the Middle Atlantic Conference weekly Honor Rolls this Monday.

Eaby, earning a place on the honor roll for the fourth time this year, averaged 15.7 points over the women's three victories last week, including a game-high 22 points against Delaware Valley last Thursday. She currently ranks second in the conference with 16.4 points per game.

Kasyan was named to the roll for the first time this season after scoring a game-high 19 points in the men's victory over Susquehanna last Saturday. Over the Dutchmen's two games last week, Kasyan was 16 for 29 from the field and 6 for 8 from outside the three-point line.

**Athletes of the Week**

Senior co-captain  
**D o u g  
M a c C o r m a c k**  
scored a power play  
goal and added an  
assist in ice hockey's



Senior **A m y W a g n e r**  
won the women's  
pole vault at the  
Frank Colden  
Invitational at  
Ursinus on Saturday,

4-2 victory over conference rivals  
Wentworth.

clearing 2.9 meters (9' 6").

*Photos courtesy of Sports Information*

**Upcoming basketball broadcasts****Men's Basketball:**

Feb. 14 vs. Elizabethtown 1:45 p.m.  
Feb. 17 vs. Widener 7:45 p.m.

**Women's Basketball:**

Feb. 14 vs. Elizabethtown 3:45 p.m.  
Feb. 17 vs. Widener 5:45 p.m.



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**LVC's women's rugby club looks for new members**

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The LVC Women's Rugby Club just finished their second year in existence. Eighteen players competed on the team which gave them a fourth-place finish in their bracket.

They compete in the Eastern Pennsylvania Rugby Union which fields five other teams in the bracket.

"I think we had a successful season," said Julie Falkner, president of the club. "We are start-

ing to get a better grasp of the game and are really having fun."

The club plays their matches on the rugby field which is located by the freshman parking lot. Their matches included trips to Susquehanna, Harrisburg, and Franklin and Marshall. They also played two home matches with Muhlenburg, which was a win, and Gettysburg.

The spring season begins in late March and they will be competing against several other collegiate clubs in eastern Pennsylvania. "We're really excit-

*"Many of us joined and did not really know how to play the game. However, we stuck it out and learned, and now we are really having a good time with it."*

ed about the upcoming season and are looking for any interested players," said Falkner.

The success of the women's rugby club has also spurred a lot of interest for many men on

campus.

The women are also currently planning ways to get their club on the move and play many pickup games with interested individuals in the Peace Garden.

"We are hoping to recruit new members to the team and continue to learn and improve," said Falkner. "Many of us joined and did not really know how to play the game. However, we stuck it out and learned and now we are really having a good time with it."

The club is coached by Bob

Rhubright, Katie Elder, and Rick Wilhelm. Dr. Griffin Hathaway is their faculty advisor. Karen Penberth and Deidra Kreiser are the captains of the team. Julie Falkner is the president with Mollie Kedney as vice president. Anyone who is interested in joining can speak to any of these people.

No matter how they achieve it, the club has one simple goal: they want to continue to play and gain respect on campus while encouraging students to take interest in rugby.



## Letter to the editors

Dear Editors:

It's hard to imagine that nearly eight years have passed since co-editor Natalie Hope McDonald and I adhered condoms to the front of *La Vie Collegienne*. Our intent was to raise awareness about AIDS. Unfortunately, the discussion that followed centered more on the appropriateness of placing condoms in public display than the real threat of AIDS.

The "condom issue," as we began to refer to it, received a great deal of interest from the local media. Professors, students and Annville residents all wanted to weigh in with their thoughts. We even published a reaction edition of the newspaper, enabling everyone to do just that. It was our hope that the condoms would get everyone's attention, but we had no idea of the reaction we would receive. In the end, we were disappointed that our educational

efforts were overshadowed, but thrilled that we had inspired so much discussion.

For me personally, I learned a great deal from the debate over the condom issue. It forced me to define my thoughts about education and what it meant for me to be a part of an educational environment. It helped me think about my time at LVC and what it really was teaching me. In the spring 1996 reaction issue of *La Vie*, I wrote, "The education that we experience at LVC should not only enable us to receive employment after graduation and provide us with interesting facts to share at cocktail parties, but it should also aid us in becoming responsible citizens who won't allow those in our communities to be swept away by a disease that education and information can help prevent." That is how I felt as an LVC student, and I'm proud to say that I still feel this way.

Lebanon Valley College was a good forum for me to figure these things out. The day the *La Vie* condom issue was distributed, LVC President emeritus John Synodinos called me into his office. I had come to know him extremely well and to admire him even more. I was concerned that he would be upset with me because I had not warned him about the issue. As I walked into his office, he handed me that day's *New York Times* and asked me to read the top headline. There on the front page was an article about condom use. He told me how proud he was that we would utilize the College newspaper for real journalism, as a vehicle to discuss issues that mattered in and beyond the world of LVC.

While not everyone was proud of the work we did with *La Vie*, it meant a lot that Synodinos was so supportive of two young co-editors trying to make a difference. In the

same way, I hope that we can be supportive of co-editors Cassandra Hoadley and Lisa Landis. I enjoy the informative newspaper they produce and hope that we can applaud their efforts to create a high content student newspaper. It makes me proud that we share a common desire to utilize our college newspaper to discuss issues that matter.

My hope is that this issue of *La Vie* will help to fulfill our original intent from 1996 and the very sincere objective of the current co-editors. I hope this issue helps to educate people about the threat of AIDS and reminds them to act responsibly through condom use, or through the best form of protection - abstinence.

Sincerely,

Jasmine Ammons Bucher '97

'95-'96 co-editor of *La Vie Collegienne*

### It's all in the numbers...

**35,460 people ages 15-24 are infected with HIV in the United States.**

**Pennsylvania has the seventh highest rate of HIV cases in the United States.**

**Every day in 2003, an estimated 14,000 people were newly infected with HIV.**

**AIDS claimed 18,000 lives in the past year in high-income countries.**

**An estimated 1/4 of the 850,000-950,000 people living with HIV/AIDS in the United States are unaware that they are HIV positive.**

Compiled by Cassandra Hoadley '04. Statistics are from [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov), [www.dsf.health.state.pa.us](http://www.dsf.health.state.pa.us), [www.who.org](http://www.who.org) and [www.stophiv.com](http://www.stophiv.com).



## La Vie Collegienne Reaction Edition

This week's historical section highlights the special edition reaction issue, printed on May 8, 1996, which was a response to the "AIDS Awareness Issue" printed by La Vie. That issue, also with a single wrapped condom attached to the front page, generated a varied response from the paper's readers. LVC's president at the time, John Synodinos, helped the paper find funding for the special edition so that they could promote a dialogue on AIDS awareness and encourage reader response. Read on for excerpts from student and faculty reactions to the "AIDS" issue of 1996.

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Reactions to last week's edition were immediate and often quite strong. Local television news crews visited the campus on Friday, and both local papers carried the story.



### Response from President John Synodinos

I believe our student editors were motivated by a genuine concern that there are cultural and societal inhibitions which make discussion of critical health issues difficult, indeed sometimes impossible. The growing incidence of AIDS, particularly among young people, is alarming. As La Vie points out, there is far too much complacency about the disease and how it is transmitted. Although there is considerable agreement in the society at large about how to deal with the menace of AIDS, it is important that dialogue con-

tinue. I would add, respectful dialogue. There are some who regard the means chosen by the student editors as inappropriate, in poor taste, even immoral. And, there are some who find it courageous and very much to the point. Because we are a community that values and encourages dialogue, we've made it possible for La Vie to publish this extra edition before school closes to permit all views to be represented and have encouraged members of our college community to write to the editors and to continue the dialogue.

### Condom attachment is called mark of nonrestraint

Dear Editors:

[ ... ] I am disappointed at your lack of restraint as an editorial staff of a school newspaper that has the temerity to claim the need to shock, apparently without considering the feelings of those who disagree with your tactics, feel very much a part of the college, a part of the 90s, and a part of a community just as concerned about the effect of the AIDS

epidemic as you purport to be. I eschew censorship. I endorse academic freedom. However, I suggest that at the root of your shock therapy is less "reverence for life" than a tragic selfishness.

Self-restrainedly yours,  
Dr. Mark Mechem

### Young adults do have sex

Dear Editors:

I am writing both to commend La Vie for its recent publication of an article on using condoms to reduce the risk of acquiring HIV/AIDS and to congratulate its staff and advisor for having the courage to confront this controversial issue squarely. I am sorry

to note that some of my colleagues have expressed moral outrage about the article's content and about the accompanying condom.

Sincerely,  
Dr. Michael A. Camann

### May 1 issue not worth the hype

Dear Editors:

WOW!!! What hype! Everybody's talking about it! We even had the news teams for this one! Wouldn't it be nice to have such excitement stirred up with regards to the "celibate until married" minority. I guess that wouldn't sell papers, though,

and it most certainly wouldn't be worthy of top-story, five-o'clock news coverage.

Sincerely,  
Steve Croyle

### La Vie invades privacy

Dear Editors:

Our students deserve more respect and reverence as human beings; so, too, everyone else connected with Lebanon Valley College.

The May 1, 1996 edition of La Vie is inconsiderate of persons, irresponsible,

childish, offensive, misinformed, misleading, promotive of immoral behavior, and reflective of the loss of decency and propriety in our too often sexually obsessed and pornographically inundated society.

Dr. Michael A. Grella

### La Vie deemed "most responsible"

Dear Editors:

I have been reading La Vie for 31 years and have criticized it one way or another during that time, except for the few years I advised it, and I can say that this was the most responsible issue I have seen in all that time. To Mary, Wayne, Jasmine and

Natalie, take the heat; you're probably going to save a life or two down the road.

Dr. Arthur Ford

### Neither shout nor jeer

Dear Editors:

I have seen some pretty inappropriate behavior these past few days, on both sides of the condom issue. While there is no doubt of the sincerity of all the folks who have expressed their opinions, there has been some lack of mutual respect. Some words of advice - neither shout nor jeer, attack nor gloat; neither hold

personal grudges nor take personal offense; avoid name-calling and the use of value laden language such as "ridiculous;" remember that we are all colleagues, fellow students and friends (and should remain so).

Dr. Phyllis Dryden

### New fulfills responsibility

Dear Editors,

Wayne Knaub's cover story on AIDS was well-researched, well-written and informative. AIDS is a major public health issue in this country, especially among sexually active, young adults. A newspaper has a responsibility to its

readers to present news, even if - and in some cases, especially if - that news is uncomfortable or embarrassing to some people

Dr. Gary Grieve-Carlson

### Taste called into question

Dear Editors:

I am writing, in all sincerity, to ask you to use your influence at Lebanon Valley College to urge the various members of the college constituency to use good taste and judgment in their speech, public statements, college policies and practices. I am disappointed that the college-supported newspaper chose to present the AIDS problem in the manner that it

did in the May 1 issue. I am not dissatisfied that concern about AIDS was presented in La Vie. I object to the use of a contraceptive as an attention-getter on the front page of the paper.

George D. Curfman

If you would like to share your thoughts or feelings, e-mail La Vie at lvclavie@yahoo.com.



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## Sweeney Todd: a worthy cast

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The Wig and Buckle Society's first show for the year 2004 is a presentation of Stephen Sondheim's operetta *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*. Showtimes are Feb. 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 22 and 29 at 2 p.m. All shows will be in Leedy Theater.

Sweeney Todd tells the story of an exiled barber (played by Nick Curry '04) who comes back to England with companion Anthony Hope (Brent Fisher '07), under an assumed name: Sweeney Todd. Sweeney is determined to exact his revenge on Judge Turpin (Dave Ingalls '04), the man who exiled him, took advantage of his wife and took custody of his daughter, Johanna (Kristen Erway '06).

Sweeney sets up his barber shop and continues to plot his revenge, but becomes frustrated by his lack of control over his situation, thereby letting his anger escape through another outlet - killing innocent people who he feels have turned a blind eye when injustice was being done to him and his family.

With the help of his neighbor, floundering meat pie shop owner Mrs. Lovett (Kinsey Deck '04), people are killed and baked into meat pies to be sold. Meanwhile, the Judge is plotting to get Johanna to marry him, and Johanna and



Members of the cast of *Sweeney Todd* rehearse in preparation for opening night.

Anthony are falling in love. As stage manager Rebecca Grudzina '04 puts it, "It's a classic tragedy. There's a hero, and he has a flaw: in this case, vengeance ..." "The very thing that makes him all powerful, the fact that he can unleash his vengeance, is the thing that ultimately destroys everything he cares about," finishes faculty adviser Dr. Kevin Pry.

Rob Fisette '04, director, is ready to praise his cast in their endeavors, saying "We have a really great cast that works amazingly well together...I'm proud of the cast and how hard they're working and how well they're getting along." This sentiment is shared by the staff of *Sweeney Todd*.

The rest of the *Sweeney Todd* staff includes assistant director Meghan

Kurta '06, music director Matt Wensel '05, vocal coach Lindsey Ann Strauss '05, producer Tyler Bower '04 and assistant stage manager Amy Lazarski '06.

The cast also consists of Jessica Bagley '07 as the beggar woman, Dan Komorowski '04 as Adolpho Pirelli, Mark McGuire '06 as Beadle Bamford and Mary Beth Penjuck '07 as Tobias Ragg.

There is also a large chorus, consisting of Allison Abayasekara '07, Jess Barber '07, Kate Bright '05, Traci Fatula '07, Eileen Jahn '07, Katie McCarthy '07, Jess Moyer '05, James Glasbrenner '06, Greg Keller '07, Myles Kitchen '07, Dan Royer '07, Billy Silar '05 and Robb Stech '04.

## LVC students and profs protest Bush

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He came, he spoke and he drove away, but not without opposition. President Bush visited local Central Dauphin High School near Harrisburg on Feb. 12, beginning his re-election campaign with a stop deep in Central Pennsylvania, a region that voted for him in the 2000 election.

Nonetheless, some LVC students were not happy at all that the president came and are very upset with his administration's decisions. About ten LVC students and two professors, Dr. Jeff Robbins and his wife, Dr. Noelle Vahanian, made the journey to Central Dauphin to join about 60 or 70 others outside the school.

No one organized the LVC protest and students found each other once they arrived.

Although the LVC students did not act as a group, they share a strong dislike for President Bush and his activities.

Freshman William Lyons explained that he has many problems with the president.

"I had read in newspapers that he was going to talk about No Child Left Behind and his economic policies, which are the most offensive to me. But I don't like anything he does," Lyons said.

Sophomores Dave McLaughlin and Bill Rice agree that Bush's administration is hurting the country.

"I wanted to protest Bush's policies because education spending is only a seventh of the spending on the military. It's about education spending versus defense. We should spend more money on our own future than on nation building in Iraq," said McLaughlin.

"I went to the school because it was a chance to voice my opinion with others of the same opinion," said Rice.

The LVC students carried signs and stood for almost two hours as they faced a crowd of Bush supporters just across the street. Although Rice and McLaughlin are registered Democrats, neither is sure which candidate he supports to defeat Bush in November.

Likewise, Dr. Robbins is not sure whom he will support yet, but has strong political opinions that compelled him to attend the protest.

"I'm new to this area, and there's just no organized Democratic party around here. I wanted to show Bush that he won't have a free ride in Central Pennsylvania. I'm part of what you would call the loyal opposition. We need to have some opposition for the democratic system to work," he said.

## Richard R. Charles receives Founders Day Award

Courtesy of College Relations

Annville Township Commissioner Richard F. Charles received the Lebanon Valley College Founders Day award on Tuesday, Feb. 17, for his 13-year effort to make Annville's Streetscape Project a reality. The \$4-million transformation of four blocks of Route 422 in the center of Annville was completed last summer after more than a year of construction. In his remarks at today's ceremony, Dr. Stephen MacDonald, vice president for academic affairs and dean of the faculty at LVC, praised Charles for his "sustained and committed leadership... the

center of Annville has been transformed dramatically and beautifully to a more human place, a charming small town, a busy intersection where one can actually make a left turn." Charles is vice president for advancement emeritus at LVC; he retired in 1997.

In presenting the award, President David Pollick complimented Charles for the "civil" engineering he did on the project, referring not to the construction issues, but to the civility he displayed in presiding over meetings with government officials and community members where there was a potential for tempers to flare.

After thanking the many people, businesses and government officials that helped to make the project a success, Charles concluded his remarks by quoting the late anthropologist Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that the work of a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

The Founders Day award recognized individuals whose character and leadership, in the spirit of the founders of Lebanon Valley College, contribute to the enhancement of life in central Pennsylvania. Also honored at the Miller

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## The presidential race: who's dropping and who's staying

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With the Feb. 3 primaries now behind them, the true powerhouse Democratic candidates have finally emerged. John Kerry won five of the seven states that voted that Tuesday, including Delaware, Missouri, New Mexico, Arizona and North Dakota.

John Edwards had his prayers answered in South Carolina, winning over John Kerry and Wesley Clark. But Wesley Clark had a great day as well, winning Oklahoma and staying in the race, despite his son's request that he drop out due to media pressure over his father's involvement in the Clinton-era war against Serbia.

With John Kerry now everything

but the anointed savior of liberals and Democrats throughout the United States, and John Edwards looking like a possible vice president nominee if he continues to be the second best, it seems time for some candidates to say goodbye to their campaign staffs and take the road home, wherever home is.

In an interview on WLVC's talk show, *The Liberty Cabbage*, Dr. Griffin Hathaway, assistant professor of political science, predicted that Joe Lieberman would be the first Democrat to drop out of the race. Discussing Lieberman's poor showing in the New Hampshire primary the previous week, Hathaway predicted that Lieberman would pull out if he did not win a state in the Feb. 3 primaries.

"I would imagine that Joe Lieberman and JoeMentum is waning even faster

than he thinks ... I just don't see how he can carry on," Hathaway said.

Lieberman did indeed drop out the night of Feb. 3 after he realized Kerry had soundly defeated him in Delaware, his one last hope for victory.

As a final note, the Rev. Al Sharpton completely imploded in last Tuesday's primaries, doing far worse than Lieberman but better than Dennis Kucinich. It is doubtful Sharpton will remain in the race much longer. A report appeared in the *Village Voice* on Feb. 6 that linked Sharpton to Republican operative Roger Stone. Journalist Wayne Barrett claimed that Stone has bankrolled Sharpton and is using the black activist to cause confusion and dissension in the Democratic ranks. Where his report will leave Sharpton is yet to be seen.

## Around the world in 300 words

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### You can have one without the other:

Two tortoises, named Peanut Butter and Jelly, were separated last week in a Tucson veterinary hospital. The pair had been joined near the tail, so that one was always on its back while the other tried to kick itself over. Veterinarians took about three hours to separate the two, and called the condition "extremely rare."

**Secrets revealed:** Next month, NBC will reveal secret audio and video tapes recorded by Princess Diana during her marriage to Prince Charles. The two-hour broadcast, set to air Mar. 4 and Mar. 11, will also feature interviews with

Diana's close friends and confidantes. The audio tapes were the basis for Andrew Morton's 1992 international bestseller, *Diana: Her True Story*.

**Cleaner air after all?** Researchers based in Minnesota believe they can produce hydrogen from ethanol in a prototype reactor that might be small and efficient enough to heat small homes and power cars. The new prototype is only about two feet tall, and researchers feel that their reactor will produce energy from corn-based ethanol cheaply enough that people could purchase it for personal use.

**The H Bomb:** Ivy-League Harvard University has approved a new student magazine that will feature art, advice and fiction - all about sex. The *H Bomb* magazine was approved last Tuesday by the

board that approves all student organizations, although one member said she understands that some people will find the contents "distasteful." The students who proposed the magazine say they are proposing an outlet for needed and desired literary and artistic expression.

**Barking up the same tree:** Researchers believe that all dogs, regardless of breed or size, originated from a single species, most likely an East Asian wolf. The report, delivered Friday, says that dogs are much older than anyone thinks and developed from a central proto-dog at least 100,000 years ago. Now, there are over 300 recognized breeds of domestic dogs.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

## Fret no more: Reliable Internet service is back

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Derickson residents will again have reliable Internet service. Service to the buildings had intermittently been cutting off, frustrating many students who depend on the Internet for e-mail and instant message communi-

cation and completing assignments.

According to engineers who visited the campus to evaluate the problem, the cause of the problems was a faulty power adapter in the antenna unit. The unit is used in the wireless connection between the Derickson buildings and Lynch Hall, where the server is located.

Occasionally, power to the antenna would be cut off, and an Internet

connection could not be made to Derickson students until the antenna was reset.

IT Services originally suspected that heavy winds or ice formed from moisture in the antennas was to blame.

According to Mark Wolfe, network support assistant for IT Services, the problem has been solved, so students don't need to worry.



## Thoughts from the editors

We hope everyone had a chance to see last week's issue and took the time to read the stories and statistics about AIDS. Our eyes were certainly opened by putting together this issue, and we hope that yours were too. While we're glad the issue didn't cause the storm of controversy it caused eight years ago, we are definitely very shocked that we have heard no reactions from students, faculty or administration, other than casual comments heard in passing. We did, however, observe several students who thought it would be amusing to grab several issues with condoms on the front; we can only hope that those students read at least one of the papers they took.

If you have a reaction to last week's issue, it's not too late to let us know what you think by e-mailing us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com). We want to know that what we printed had an impact, no matter if it's positive or negative.

Also, be sure you take the time to check out the article on Founders Day, which is celebrated every year at LVC. We congratulate Dick Charles for his far-reaching work with Annville and LVC, as well as AST, which won the President's Award for student organizations.

And as we work through this busy time of papers and exams, it's nice to remind ourselves that spring break is just two weeks from tomorrow!

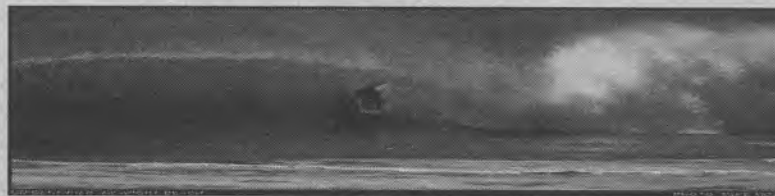
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Chapel ceremony was LVC's Alpha Sigma Tau (AST), a student service organization that strives to promote the cultural, ethnical and social development of its members at the same time that it helps the community through fundraising and the work projects. This past year, AST initiated or participated in the following services: sponsored a Pennsylvania Vent Camp Benefit Dance that raised over \$200 to be given to a camp for ventilator-dependent children in Millville; volunteered at a battered women's shelter in Lebanon; donated

over 500 canned goods to the Ronald MacDonald House in Hershey; achieved 100 percent participation in Relay for Life, an overnight event sponsored by LVC to celebrate cancer survivors and raise money for cancer research; donated money to Pine Mountain Settlement School for underprivileged children; sent Christmas cards to the troops in Iraq; volunteered at the LVC Cherry Blossom Festival; and contributed to a campus clean-up sponsored by the Greek Council.

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## Study abroad: a taste of the real world

By Sara Smith '05  
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Peer advisers for the study abroad office organized The Real Real World, a fair to promote student interest in study abroad.

The advisers set up tables in the West Dining Hall and displayed pictures and souvenirs from their travels and native desserts from some of the countries. They also distributed fact sheets about the programs and had sign-up sheets for interested students. The peer advisers remained on hand to answer any student questions about the various programs or study abroad in general.

According to Jill Russell, the study abroad adviser, the fair "offered a chance

for study abroad students to share their experiences with students who may be interested in studying in other countries." The fair also gave the student body "a more comfortable situation to ask questions they might otherwise feel uncomfortable asking."

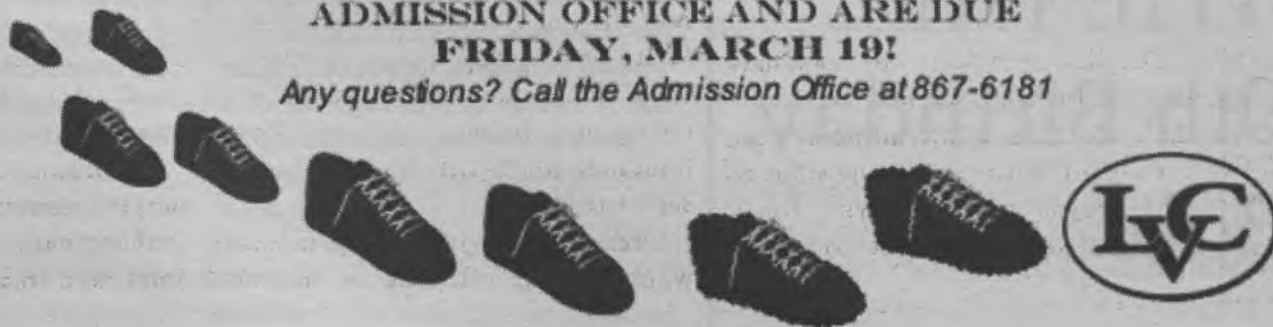
The fair ran during dinner in order to reach the widest possible audience, but, unfortunately, student turnout was low. "We were disappointed with the results," said Laura Brown, a junior and peer adviser for Spain. "Study abroad is such a fantastic experience, and we really wanted to generate interest in it." However, she added, "some students did sign up for the study abroad programs, so the fair was worthwhile."

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## Lost in Translation: competition for Jackson's Return of the King

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United States, 2003  
U.S. Release Date: 9/12/03 (limited);  
9/19/03 (wider)  
Running Time: 1:42  
Rated: R (Profanity, mature themes, brief nudity)  
Cast: Bill Murray, Scarlett Johansson, Giovanni Ribisi, Anna Farris  
Director: Sofia Coppola  
Producers: Ross Katz, Sofia Coppola  
Screenplay: Sofia Coppola  
Music: Kevin Shields, Brian Reitzell  
Studio: Focus Features

Sofia Coppola's sophomore motion picture is a film worth hailing; the plot is so simple, yet so utterly captivating at the same time. Every aspect of the movie is truly worth applauding; whether it be the soundtrack, the tremendous lead performances (Murray in particular), the consummate cinematography, the wonderfully written screenplay or the stellar direction, *Lost in Translation* is an instant classic

that will inspire a desire to experience the intense art and emotion again and again.

*Lost in Translation* tells the story of two strangers in a strange land who feel alone and who are each in great need of a comforting companion. These two unhappy Americans in Tokyo effortlessly find solace and friendship in each other. The film proves that short-lived relationships can have life-long impacts.

Bob Harris (Bill Murray) is a fading actor in the United States who travels to Tokyo to complete a photo shoot and a commercial for a Japanese brand of whiskey called Suntory. While feeling "lost" in this foreign land, he desires to feel something real and to make the best of his time in Japan, despite the constant nagging from his unloving and annoying wife who keeps sending faxes of shelf plans and Fed-Exing carpet swatches for Bob to decide on a color to carpet their study. To kill his unhappiness and loneliness, he heads to the bar to sip on his oh-so-favorite whiskey: "For relaxing times, make it Suntory times."

While in the bar, he meets Charlotte (Scarlett Johansson), a recent Yale gradu-

ate, who is unsure if she married the right man and who is stuck in a rut at this point in her life. They both quickly relate to each other and develop a friendship. Before they know it they are spending virtually every second of their time together building their relationship - even though they both know it will soon have to cease.

The connection between Bob and Charlotte is the film's core, and both of the actors' portrayals escalate this film to an absolutely top-notch endeavor. Murray plays his career-defining role (one for which he deserves to take home the Academy Award), and Scarlett Johansson, who complements Murray perfectly, gets to show off both her pretty looks and her huge potential as one of Hollywood's rising stars.

Although I will admit that this film does require some patience through part of the beginning, it is in no way a bore to behold. There are several key scenes that will surely stay with you for weeks, including the chat seen through the reflection of the windowpane, the comforting pillow talk and the perfectly-executed and poignant climax. All of these key sequences, along

with the overall fantastical and warming aura that the picture emits, combine to create a near masterpiece that should be a part of your DVD collection.

Sofia Coppola has simply made her father proud, and with this feature, maybe even a little jealous. From now on, when people see or hear her name associated with a production, she will already have their attention and most likely their box office support. Her writing and directing with this feature are both superb.

But unfortunately for Sofia, at the end this month she will only be honored for her writing and not for her direction, because no one can contend with the mighty train that is ... Peter Jackson. On the other hand, she has done well in creating the one-and-only picture that has a remote chance to win Best Picture up against Jackson's *Return of the King*.

On the cover of *Lost in Translation's* Focus Feature DVD, it reads, "Over 80 four-star rave reviews!" and unsurprisingly, it has gained yet another one. Without hesitation, I give this film my highest recommendation: \*\*\*\* out of \*\*\*\*.

## IPT brings breath of diversity

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After coming together as a campus on Jan. 19 to celebrate the vision of one of the most admired icons of our time, we must also remember to recognize those that are continually trying to live as an example of Martin Luther King's dream.

During a time full of race riots in 1963, 12 men formed a fraternity that would provide brotherhood geared toward African American males. Since then, it has opened its arms to many people, not restricting membership to those of the same background. With more than 120 chapters across the nation, Iota Phi Theta finds their newest addition on the campus of Lebanon Valley College.

Scott Payonk serves as the Polaris of the Iota Phi Theta Colony of LVC. The fraternity is currently in a probationary stage of becoming a chapter, using this time to establish itself on campus. Payonk states that members strive to uphold the ideals of the 12 founding fathers, one of the most important being community service. The fraternity has plans for participation in Habitat for Humanity, the 30-day Famine in conjunction with a local church and a clothing drive, which will be starting within a few weeks.

Aside from community service, Iota Phi Theta also dedicates time to fundraising money for the research of sickle cell anemia,

one of the leading diseases of African-American males.

When asked about diversity LVC's campus, Payonk said, "This has been something that people have been knocking heads about forever, at least since I've been here. (On this campus,) diversity is definitely something that needs to be worked on. There are too many stereotypes that are out there; people are afraid of things, and I think that there needs to be more educational programs geared towards diversity on this campus."

Payonk went on to say that the LVC Multicultural Department held panel discussions, which worked to a degree; however, he believes that if more people had shown up, the impact would have been greater on the student population.

Iota Phi Theta has brought with it a cultural tradition that breathes new life on LVC's campus. Last year was the first time that a step team performed at LVC. The performers stepped their way in front of a huge crowd that packed the West Dining Hall. This year, the fraternity hopes to top the admittance from last year by hosting the second annual Iota Phi Theta Step Show on March 20 in Lutz Hall.

The fraternity is currently recruiting. To find out more information on the brotherhood, visit the national Web site, [www.iotaphitheta.org](http://www.iotaphitheta.org), or contact Scott Payonk, ext. 5310.



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## String group offers great variety

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To some it may have seemed like another typical classical string group recital – and it did begin that way. Opening with Luigi Boccherini's "Sonate pour Violon et Violoncelle," Duo Terlano's performance on Sunday, Feb. 8 started off on a traditionally classical note. Yet as violinist and LVC music professor Dr. Johannes Dietrich explained after the first piece, this was a program that would emphasize variety. Along with cellist Dr. Marie-Aline Cadieux, an adjunct music professor at LVC, he then launched into Maurice Ravel's "Sonata," moving on to a completely different period in classical music: impressionism.

Ravel's music is typical of the impressionistic period, which emphasized tone color and often included dissonant harmonies. The first movement, "Allegro," with its weaving melody lines and sudden tempo changes so removed from the Boccherini, surely convinced the audience that this was, in fact, a recital about variety.

The second movement, "Tres vif," was marked by a more rhythmic and dark sound. This section also made use of a difficult technique for string instruments known as left hand pizzicato. Not only were notes bowed, but the left hand used for fingering also plucked them, creating a denser texture.

A melody line passed from one instrument to the other in the "Lent" move-

ment, and the "Vif, avec entrain" movement moved along quickly with a dance-like feel.

Simon Maurer, violin, and Agnes Maurer, viola, joined the duo for the final piece, Beethoven's "Quartet Nr. 3." Once again, there was a great contrast in style between the two pieces. Beethoven is often considered the bridge between classical and romantic music and has a far more moody sound than music from either the classical period or the impressionistic period.

The "Introduzione-Allegro vivace" began slowly and darkly in a minor key, then took off into a faster section with the sudden dynamic and mood changes often found in Beethoven's music.

The "Andante" was also in a dark, minor key, with a rhythmic cello pizzicato underneath keeping a steady beat throughout the movement. The "Menuetto," with its intricate runs, moved directly into the "Allegro molto," which was characterized by a melody line that moved from instrument to instrument.

Not only was the musicianship excellent, but the choice of music was refreshing for the contrast it provided. Hopefully it allowed the audience to see that string music is not all typically classical-sounding and introduced them to the often overlooked genre of impressionistic music. The pieces were arranged on the program in such a manner as to convey the great differences between the various genres, further adding to the emphasis on variety.

## LVC senior leads Writing Center to new successes

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Senior chemistry secondary education major Sarah Butler is part of an integral team that supports our academic community every day. As an LVC Writing Center administrative assistant, Butler helps coordinate writing and academic tutors while providing assistance to Writing Center director Walter Labonte.

"The overall concept of the administrative assistant was to mesh together the jobs of a tutor coordinator and the director," said Butler. Working closely with Labonte, Butler explained that she first worked in the Writing Center as a writing and chemistry tutor, then was promoted to chemistry, biology and Spanish tutor

coordinator and then to administrative assistant.

Butler began working for the Writing Center during her sophomore year. "I really liked English, and I proofread my roommate's papers," Butler said. "Working for the Writing Center was sort of the natural next step," she added.

She is clearly passionate about the center's goals and purpose. "In every aspect of my life, writing well has been important," said Butler. "It's about the way you present yourself. If you write well, you present yourself well," she added.

Last semester was a very successful semester for the Writing Center. With an increase in the number of students visiting the center, a well-organized staff and a new look to the center itself, the fall of

2003 was the most successful semester of the center's operation since its creation in 1998. Butler believes that the formula for the center's success was in the staff's teamwork. "This experience has really shown me what teamwork is about," she said. "Over my three years (in the Writing Center) I've seen the enthusiasm toward the Writing Center grow throughout all academic disciplines."

This semester, Butler is student teaching at Annville-Cleona High School. She handed her duties as administrative assistant over to Ellen Schin, a former Writing Center coordinator. Butler's ultimate goals after graduation include going to grad school and hopefully returning to her home in the Lehigh Valley to teach chemistry.

Butler is excited about her experiences

at the Writing Center and at Lebanon Valley College in general. Feeling that she's doing something for the community through the Writing Center, Butler said that she's had a good time at LVC, even though she broke her collarbone while playing rugby. Butler noted that the challenging curriculum of the college was particularly beneficial. "I definitely will come out above so many people in the job market with my experiences from LVC," she said.

"Meeting new, smart people has been one of the best parts of my job at the Writing Center," said Butler. Butler has been a positive influence on a strong campus organization that she has only made stronger. When asked to describe the staff of the center, Butler simply said that they are completely "involved."



## President's view of LVC

*This week's historical article was published on Sept. 8, 1988. The article was printed just after John Synodinos became president of LVC. Synodinos served as president until his retirement on June 6, 1996. Synodinos, who passed away in 2002, left a lasting legacy of professionalism, compassion and commitment to the college. This article details his thoughts on the state of the college upon his arrival, as well as his plans for future improvements. The article highlights his love of the students, as well as his intense desire to improve life on campus. Read on to find out more about former LVC president John Synodinos and his ideology surrounding his role at the college.*

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By Steve Trapnell

John A. Synodinos, Lebanon Valley College's new president, sums up his priorities in a single sentence: "I care about quality more than anything else."

When Synodinos accepted the offer to become the 15th president of the college last semester, he brought with him this philosophy and the energy to improve the quality of Lebanon Valley College.

Although the college community was a major factor in influencing him to accept the position of president, Synodinos is aware that changes must be made. He added that this brought to mind another strong point of the college.

"It is willing to try to be better," he commented. He said the school has great strengths and areas "where we can make improvements" through more effective planning, including physical facilities of the school.

Synodinos explained that, after assuming his duties this summer, his first impression of the college is "still being formed."

Explaining that the importance of a liberal arts education is now being recognized throughout the country, he said that Lebanon Valley and other institutions must determine exactly what a liberal arts education should include.



In order to achieve this, he explained that the college must begin to re-examine its mission, its course of studies, and the balance between disciplines and a general education.

Synodinos added that before undertaking this reevaluation, the school must be secure in its future, which he did not see as a problem at Lebanon Valley. According to the new president, enrollment is up and the endowment fund has climbed above \$10 million for the first time.

In addition, he said, Lebanon Valley College is often rated among the top 100 liberal arts schools in the country by various rating services. Synodinos said there are about 800 liberal arts schools in the nation.

Despite the success and growth of the college in the past, Synodinos recognizes the need for further development in the future.

First, he explained that the college's facilities must be updated. According

to Synodinos, the present physical facilities can be adapted to the projected needs of the school for about \$12-\$13 million.

According to the president, there is an important reason for adequate, attractive facilities. Synodinos said that 50 percent of the reason a family chooses one school over another one they visited is the appearance of the campus.

"Pride in a place is something we've not been able to pay enough attention to," Synodinos remarked.

He said one of the first steps to improving facilities would be to consolidate athletic activities on the far side of the railroad tracks to free up Lynch Memorial Gymnasium for other uses.

Another priority for Synodinos is an internal training program for the staff of the college. He believes it is important that an educational institution train, evaluate, and hold accountable its own employees.

An increased endowment fund is also high on the new president's list. He plans "much more rigorous fund raising" and would like to see the school take advantage of the financial resources of the alumni.

In commenting on the Leadership Development Initiative, Synodinos said he takes pride in the fact that "we were first." He pointed out that Lebanon Valley led the way in stressing leadership development, which is now becoming popular at other institutions.

"I don't see (the Leadership Development Initiative) becoming another discipline, another department," Synodinos added. "It pulls together things from many areas."

Synodinos would also like to see student services brought together and provided with the facilities to function properly.



LVC President John Synodinos and his wife, Glenda, in 1988.

"The thing I'm really surprised about here is what students do to improve their own out-of-class lives," he remarked, adding that he sees students taking "a real pride in doing it themselves. That's unusual."

Synodinos plans to maintain as much contact with students as he can.

"I need to be on campus. I need to be visible. But I also need to be off campus getting the resources we need," he explained.

"I like being around young people," Synodinos said earnestly, adding that he would like to get to know a number of students personally.

"Invite me," he explained simply. "If you want me to do something, ask me."

The new president said that what he doesn't want to do is intrude. He said he wouldn't mind receiving an invitation to go to a dorm and just talk about things.

Anyone who's spent just a little time with John Synodinos wouldn't have any trouble taking this seriously.

### What's happening this weekend . . .

\*The Wig and Buckle Dramatic Society will present Stephen Sondheim's dark and disturbing musical, *Sweeney Todd*, during the last two weekends in February at Leedy Theater in the Mund College Center. Performances will be on Feb. 20, 21, 27 and 28 at 8 p.m. and Feb. 22 and 29 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students; there is no charge for LVC students.

\*On Friday, Feb. 20, Cornerstone, the Friday Night Fellowship group, will begin the 30-hour Famine at 7 p.m. A casino night will be held in the Underground at 9 the same night.

\*LVC students can sign up in the red book at the College Center desk to go bowling at the Palmyra Bowling Lanes on Saturday, Feb. 21.

\**Twelve Monkeys*, a 1995 classic time/travel, fantasy/horror film, will be presented at the Allen Theatre on Sunday, Feb. 22, at 1 p.m. In the movie, Bruce Willis is sent back to the 1990s to find the source of a deadly virus that nearly wiped out mankind.



## Women's basketball suffers pair of losses

### Valley risks losing home playoff game after poor week

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What looked like a sure thing collapsed last week for the Lebanon Valley College women's basketball team, as the prospect of a home playoff game was put in jeopardy by a pair of losses to Moravian and Elizabethtown.

After a disappointing 67-53 loss to third-place Moravian last Wednesday, the Flying Dutchmen followed it up with a consecutive loss for the first time this season Saturday against E-town. The women dropped the 74-64 decision despite leading by a point at the half.

However, despite the pair of losses, LVC still remained in a tie for second as of Monday with Moravian after the



Junior Jennifer Northcott

Greyhounds lost to Messiah Saturday night. LVC held the tie-break over Moravian going into Tuesday's game at Widener. Junior Jennifer Northcott led the way against E-town with 18 points and 16 rebounds in 36 minutes, while junior guard Erin Eaby added 14 points.

The Dutchmen led by as many as nine points midway through the second half after Northcott's layup with 13:10

left, but E-town then went on a 10-0 run over the next six minutes to retake the lead.

The Dutchmen managed to tie the game at 56 with just over three minutes to go, but a Dana Voit three-pointer and Jessica Hollinsead's layup with 2:17 left put E-town up by five to force LVC into an intentional fouling situation late.

As of press time Tuesday, the Commonwealth playoff field was still murky, with only Messiah's position at the top assured. LVC remains in second at 8-4 with the tiebreaker over 8-4 Moravian, and the Dutchmen will be assured of a home playoff game if they win out their last two games. Widener is fourth at 7-5, while Elizabethtown is a half game behind at 6-5 with three games left to play instead of Widener's two due to a rescheduled game.

LVC's final regular-season game will come Saturday at Juniata. Tip-off is set for 6 p.m.

### LVC's Scores: 2/10-2/16

#### Men's Basketball:

2/10 vs. Moravian W, 80-70  
2/14 vs. Elizabethtown L, 75-82  
Record: 14-9  
Conference: 8-4

#### Women's Basketball:

2/11 vs. Moravian L, 53-67  
2/14 vs. Elizabethtown L, 64-74  
Record: 18-4  
Conference: 8-4

#### Ice Hockey:

2/14 vs. Suffolk W, 4-1  
2/15 vs. Worcester W, 3-1  
Record: 15-7  
Conference: 12-2

#### Indoor track:

2/13 vs. Susquehanna Invit.  
Men: non-scoring  
Women: non-scoring

#### Swimming:

2/13-15 at MAC Championships  
Men: 8th of 10, 129 pts.  
Women: 9th of 11, 99 pts.

## Men drop game to Elizabethtown

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host a playoff game next Wednesday evening.

The final game of the regular season for LVC is a rare Saturday night game at Juniata. The tip is set for 8 p.m.

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It took an entire month to complete, but the LVC hockey team has finally finished their seven-game road trip. Not only did they close out their road swing this past weekend, they did so with a perfect record by beating Suffolk University 4-1 on Saturday followed by a 3-1 win over Worcester State on Sunday to give the Dutchmen a perfect seven for seven in the wins column on the lengthy road stretch.

On Saturday the Dutchmen jumped out to an early lead as senior Doug MacCormack scored just under four minutes into the game to put the Valley up 1-0. MacCormack was at it again 19 seconds later as this time he helped set up Anthony Pace for his tenth goal of the season. Suffolk would cut the Dutchmen lead in half

moments after Pace's goal, but that would be the last tally for Suffolk the rest of the way. Before the close of the first the Dutchmen would take a 3-1 lead on Cameron Vandever's team leading eleventh goal of the year.

Things would quit down for the next 35 minutes until Mike Kuzmuk snapped home his fifth goal of the season with just over five minutes to play in the game. With the Dutchmen scoring four goals in the game it would be easy to overlook the play of Ben Gray in net. But the freshman was solid turning aside 24 of 25 shots earning first star of the game honors in picking up his fourth win of the season.

On Sunday, the Dutchmen headed to Worcester State looking to make a clean sweep of the road trip and once again got the ball rolling early. For the second game in a row,

## LVC swimmers compete at MAC championships

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400-yard medley as did the 800-yard free relay team with senior Jamie Moyer, juniors

Pam Brockwell and Megan Deveney, and freshman Danielle Kern.

### Athletes of the Week

Senior Lisa Landis broke her own triple jump school record last Friday at the Susquehanna Invitational with a jump of 33-2 1/2.

Sophomore swimmer Isaac Greene also broke his own school records in the 400-yard IM and 200-yard fly at MAC's last weekend.



Isaac Greene



Lisa Landis

Photos courtesy of Sports Information

### Upcoming basketball broadcasts



#### Men's Basketball:

Feb. 21 @ Juniata College 7:45 p.m.

#### Women's Basketball:

Feb. 21 @ Juniata College 5:45 p.m.

<http://wlvcradio.org/sports>

## Ice hockey finishes roadtrip 7-0

MacCormack found the back of the net under five minutes into the game off a feed from Andreas Wochtl to make it 1-0 Dutchmen. After getting the early goal, the Dutchmen focused in on playing solid defense and successfully killed off three Worcester powerplays in the first period alone.

In the second, Mike Mitchell netted his first goal of the season just 3:13 into the period to put the Valley up 2-0. Later in the period, the Dutchmen would go up 3-0 as MacCormack scored his second goal of the game off a crisp pass from Pace. The goal was MacCormack's third of the weekend and fourth point in two games. Worcester would cut the Dutchmen lead to two but once again the Valley played solid defensively shutting down the Worcester offense the rest of the way.

Neither team was able to

score, giving the Dutchmen a 3-1 win. In goal Joe Burley earned his fifth win of the season stopping 19 of 20 shots. The win was the Dutchmen's seventh straight overall and tenth straight regular season ECAC Northeast road victory dating back to last season.

With the two wins the Dutchmen moved into sole possession of second place in the conference and have guaranteed themselves a home game in the first round of the playoffs. Lebanon Valley still has two regular season games remaining as they take on Stonehill College this Saturday at Twin Ponds East before returning to their usual home of Hersheypark Arena on Sunday to play Western New England College. Saturday's game starts at 3 p.m., while Sunday's game, which is Senior Day, is slated for a 1 p.m. face-off.



## Dutchmen swim at MACs

### Green re-sets records, takes a seventh and 10th at conference championships

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Twenty-five swimmers from Lebanon Valley College competed in the Middle Atlantic Conference Championships over three days this past weekend. The women's team sent 13 athletes to the championship, while the men's squad sent eight participants.

In the team standings, the Valley did not fare very well, with the women finishing in ninth place out of 11 teams with 99 points, and the men ending up eighth of 10 teams at 129 points, but several individuals and relays finished in the top 20.

Sophomore Isaac Greene led both teams with a seventh-place finish in the 400-yard IM, clocking a time of 4:31.87, which broke his own school record. Greene also placed 10th in the 200-yard fly at 2:09.32. His time trial for that event, 2:08.79, broke his own school record as well. Green took 14th in the 200-yard IM at 2:07.92.

Freshman Matt Woods also had a strong showing for the Dutchmen, finishing the 100-yard fly in 20th place with a time of 1:00.27.



Sophomore Isaac Greene broke two of his own school records at the Middle Atlantic Conference Championships last weekend.

In the men's relays, the 200-yard freestyle team of Greene, Woods, sophomore Cory Hackman and senior Adam Demchak took eighth as did the 400-yard free and 200-yard medley teams made up of the same swimmers. The 800-yard free team with Hackman, senior Chris Greever, junior Christopher Whitcom, and freshman Mark Orndorf placed ninth.

Sophomore Jen Kush, the women's top finisher, captured 16th in the 100-yard back with

a time of 1:06.97, while sophomore Sam Meglino took 19th in the 100-yard butterfly at 1:10.80.

The women's 200-yard medley relay team of Kush, Meglino, freshman Hannah Plimpton and freshman Lynn Donmoyer placed eighth like the 200-yard free squad of Meglino, Donmoyer, senior Julia Falkner and junior Joanna Tiedeken.

Kush, Meglino, Plimpton and Falkner took ninth in the

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## Landis breaks own triple jump record taking fourth at Susquehanna Invitational: captures second in long jump

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Senior Lisa Landis reset her own school record in the triple jump as the Lebanon Valley College indoor track teams competed at Susquehanna last Friday night. Landis bested her old record by a half inch as she leaped 33-2 1/2 to finish fourth in the triple jump. Her long jump mark of 4.94 meters was also good enough for second at the meet.

Several other women also recorded solid performances for the Dutchmen. Sophomores Kelly Hilkert, Latoya Stewart and

Bonnie Susan and freshman Jamie Reynolds teamed in the 4x200 relay to take third with a time of 1:56.65. Hilkert later raced to an impressive fifth-place 1:03.98 in the 400, her best time of the season, while Reynolds placed fourth in the 800 with a time of 2:31.01.

Stewart claimed third in the high jump, clearing five feet even, and also leaped 32-10 1/2 in the triple jump to finish sixth. Also in the field, senior Amy Wagner vaulted 9-6 for a third-place finish, and freshman Amy Hartman placed eighth in the weight throw with a 9.35 meter heave.

Sophomore Jimmy Buckson

## Harlor sinks 1,000th career point on Hot Dog Frank Day

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Even a packed house was not enough to propel the men's basketball team to victory Saturday. It was Senior Day and Hot Dog Frank Day rolled into one, but LVC still came out on the losing end of an 82-75 scoreline against Elizabethtown.

The day was filled with special moments, first when seniors Jeff Kline and Evan Harlor were honored before the game, the final of the regular season at home. Harlor, who entered the game with 993 career points, scored his 1,000th career point when he sank a wide-open three from the top of the arc with 12:04 left in the first.

The pace set in the first half was lightning-fast, with both teams trading the lead multiple times before LVC went on a run at the end of the half that put them up by seven going into the break. The lead changed hands 11 times over the opening half.

However, E-town would come out of the locker room with a head of steam, going on a 10-1 run in the opening minutes of the second to tie the

game at 44. The Dutchmen would regain the lead to go up by as many as six with eight and a half minutes to go, but E-town once again pulled it back after a Greg Adams layup with just over four minutes left tied the game at 72.

LVC would not lead the rest of the game. A three-pointer by sophomore Dave Kasyan tied it up with 2:30 to go, but two missed Dutchmen shots over the next minute forced them to foul the Blue Jays, who went 7-of-10 from the line in the last minute and a half.

Despite the loss, the Dutchmen still remained in a three-way tie for first place with Widener and Albright, with all three at 8-4 overall. The conference is still a six-team race as of press time Tuesday, with Elizabethtown occupying the fourth place slot just a game back at 7-5, Susquehanna in fifth at 6-6, and Juniata on the outside looking in at 5-7. Only Messiah and Moravian cannot get in.

Should LVC win their final two games of the season against Widener and Juniata, they would finish in at least a tie for first (if Albright wins out their last two) and would

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Senior Lisa Landis was LVC's top finisher at Susquehanna, taking second in the long jump and also fourth in the triple.



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## Haitian rebellion hits close to home

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As the small Caribbean nation of Haiti has been plunged into chaos in recent weeks, Americans have widely ignored what has been happening there. The impoverished nation of 7.5 million, just 400 miles off the coast of Florida, has been in the grip of an armed uprising against a government that has done little to alleviate the grinding poverty of its citizens. Half of the population can read, 80 percent live below the poverty line and two-thirds of the work force have no formal jobs, making it the poorest nation in the western hemisphere.

But while most LVC students didn't know anything was happening there, the crisis has hit close to home for senior Kelly Clark. Since May 2000, Clark has



Kelly Clark '04 holds a Haitian child while on one of her trips to the country.

traveled to Haiti five times: three times as part of a Methodist ministry and twice by herself. She describes Haiti as a beautiful country abandoned by its government, a nation where homes are lucky to have electricity for a few hours a day and where drinking water comes from ditches on the sides of roads.

"You feel like you're on a different planet," she says. "Here we are - we have everything we could ever need or want, and they have nothing. They're lucky if they eat one small meal a day."

"There's so much I wish we could do for them, and they appreciate it so much," she says after recalling her trips to the island. During her first trip, her group built an orphanage, and during the second, her group built a school. Eventually, Clark's familiarity with the country had her going back to help a Lebanon woman with the adoption of a Haitian child.

She was also on the island during the controversial legislative elections in

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## Evolution expert speaks to LVC community

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Despite public opinion, bacteria - not humans - are in control of the Earth, according to Dr. Niles Eldredge, curator of paleontology at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City.

Eldredge shared his feelings on bacteria and on evolution in his lecture to LVC students and community members on Wednesday night. He built his reputation as a top expert on evolution when working with another famous evolutionist, Stephen Jay Gould of Harvard. The pair developed a theory called "punctuated equilibria," which finds patterns in the abrupt appearance of new species and in the extinction of species.

Eldredge spent most of his time clar-

ifying the theory of punctuated equilibria and stressed that environmental change governs the evolutionary process. He said his study of creatures called trilobites has convinced him that evolution is not a steady, even process, but is often sudden and dramatic, triggered by rapid climactic change.

Eldredge explained that most creatures that have ever lived on Earth are now extinct. As a result of ice ages, floods and environmental contamination, whole families of creatures have died out over history to be replaced by survivors over time. He explained that about 5 to 6 million years pass after each major climactic disaster before new species appear to replace the extinct ones. Thus, mammals surged forward to replace extinct terrestrial dinosaurs.

Eldredge supported his claims with good, solid examples, chronicling the

evolution of life on Earth with a series of charts and pictures. He strongly defended his theories from critics, saying that although he believes species are able to evolve in quick bursts, the actual changes within each burst are quite small. As an example, he said a trilobite might suddenly evolve to a form with 15 optical lenses instead of 18.

Eldredge concluded his lecture suggesting that bacteria - not humans - are masters of the Earth, referencing their essential roles in virtually every biological process from decomposition to human digestion. Although his comment was inconsequential and unrelated to the rest of his presentation, it did downplay the importance of humankind on Earth. Such theorizing could easily play into the hands of those who oppose his theories about evolution and biology on moral grounds.

## Parking remains an issue at LVC

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Always an issue of contempt between students and college officials, parking violations are nothing new on LVC's campus. Currently, 2,145 staff, commuter and resident student cars are registered on campus in the office of Public Safety; that's more cars than full-time resident students. With this number of cars on campus, parking problems and violations do occur.

According to Al Yingst, the director of Public Safety, the largest parking problem occurs in the Green Lot behind Silver Hall. "The commuters come on Monday morning, and there are Gold and Red stickers there," he said. "That's been happening a little more frequently than in the past," he added.

The commuter lot behind Silver Hall is only one parking concern on campus. On Feb. 18, the college administration sent an e-mail to all full-time students detailing parking regulations, especially on Sheridan Avenue. In the e-mail, which was signed by Jonathan Wescott, director of residential life, students were reminded that tickets will be issued if four-way flashers are not used or if the car in question does not appear to be in the process of loading or unloading.

When asked about the Feb. 18 e-mail, Jason Kuntz, assistant director of residential life, said, "I believe some students have complained that the parking regulations are not consistently enforced." However, Yingst said, "I can't guarantee 100 percent consistency with the issues of parking." Yingst commented that enforcement of parking regulations is delegated to his officers and that it is low on their list of priorities.

**The major controlling factor in issuing tickets is the number of people who are parked where they shouldn't park.**

—Donald Hopple,  
Public Safety Officer

Yingst said, "Some (students) have a misconception on the weekends." He added, "On the weekend, the parking rules are not

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# Around the world in 300 words

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**FBI extends anti-piracy seal:** The FBI announced last Thursday that film studios, software makers and music companies can use the FBI seal on their digital media. It hopes that the seal, long used on videos and DVDs, will deter consumers from making illegal copies of CDs and software. These industries estimate their losses from piracy at more than \$20.1 billion.

**Unwanted visitors:** As the yearly Mardi Gras festival approached this week, New Orleans officials discovered a visitor they didn't want: Formosan termites. The old Spanish wooden buildings and humid conditions make the city a perfect breeding place for the pests that arrived aboard a military transport ship from Asia after World War II. The existing solution is to attract the termites with softwood blocks, then replace the blocks with chemical-laced bait.

**On the trail of history:** The courthouse where John Scopes was convicted of teaching evolution will soon become just one of 17 sites in a 10-county, self-guided driving tour in Tennessee. The trail, expected to be complete in two years, will be devoted to the religious heritage of the entire region, not just a particular group. The

Rhea County Courthouse was recently featured in the LVC colloquium movie, *Inherit the Wind*.

**Legal or not?** In the midst of a controversy over same-sex marriages, San Francisco mayor Gavin Newsom reopened the city clerk's office on Monday, although marriage licenses will be issued by appointment only. The city has issued more than 3,000 licenses since it began allowing gays and lesbians to apply for them on Feb. 12. Conservatives have asked for a temporary restraining order to stop the city, while the city claims that state law regarding a marriage as one man and one woman violates the California constitution.

**Going back to outer space:** State television in China announced last Saturday that it plans to send two astronauts on a five- to seven-day mission in 2005, with long-term plans of building a space station. Last year, the Chinese became the third nation to send a human into space. NASA has also recently decided to push its next flight from fall 2004 to 2005 because of lingering work and engineering concerns.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

# John Edwards not really competition for John Kerry campaign

By Adam Bentz '04

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The fallout of Feb. 17's Wisconsin primary claimed the political life of Howard Dean and supposedly propelled John Edwards to the top as a real threat to John Kerry's chances of successfully taking the Democratic presidential nomination. But several commentators have pointed out only too logically that John Edwards is no more a threat to John Kerry than Dennis Kucinich is, the political oddball who again finished last in the state.

Super Tuesday looms in the near future on March 2, and it will more than likely be the "John Kerry Show," or several thousand votes of affirmation that the Massachusetts senator is the one Democrats think will unseat the president in November. John Edwards has won one state so far - South Carolina -

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bringing such pro-Edwards headlines into question.

Considering that Kerry has won all the states but two, Edwards "strong showing" in Wisconsin is nothing but hype for the horse race.

Democrats at least finally agree that Bush is the real enemy and they are taking steps to dethrone the victor of "indecision 2000." Bush is backtracking on his economic recovery promises, saying he might not secure the 2.6 million jobs he had promised earlier. In addition, American heroes continue to die in Iraq - a war with no end in sight.



## Thoughts from the editors

Hello from the desk of the editors of *La Vie Collegienne*. The good news this week . . . it's the seventh week of the semester, which means we are almost halfway to May! The bad news . . . is that we are only halfway to May. . .

This week's issue features a great front page story about one of our LVC students who is involved in missions to Haiti. The recent rebel takeover makes this story really eye-opening.

You'll notice the paper came out on Friday this week because of the basketball playoffs on Wednesday night.

With the results of the games coming in so late, we decided to push the print date back a day this week. Sorry for the inconvenience.

Whether you are a commuter or resident student, or a staff or faculty member, you will probably be interested in the parking story. Check out the amount of cars registered! If you have any comments, we'd love to hear what you have to say. Just e-mail us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com)

Enjoy the spring-like weather this weekend, if it actually appears.

## Security Log

\*On Thursday, Feb. 12, a lamp post was knocked over in the south driveway of the Humanities Center. The damage was valued at \$1,300. Investigation continues.

\*On Tuesday, Feb. 17, Public Safety received a parking complaint from a neighbor of college students regarding student parking on Church Street. The issue was resolved.

\*On Friday, Feb. 20, Public Safety received an obscene telephone call. Investigation continues.

\*On Saturday, Feb. 21, a student indicated that his vehicle, parked in the Gold Lot, had a key scratch across the door. Investigation continues.

\*On Saturday, Feb. 21, Public Safety assisted RAs with an alcohol violation in Funkhouser hall.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 22, Public Safety received a call from a resident on Church Street who stated that there was a college-related party occurring with alcohol involved. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 22, Public Safety received a report of an elderly man asleep on a couch in the Bishop Library. The individual was identified and the incident was closed.

Dear Students and Faculty,

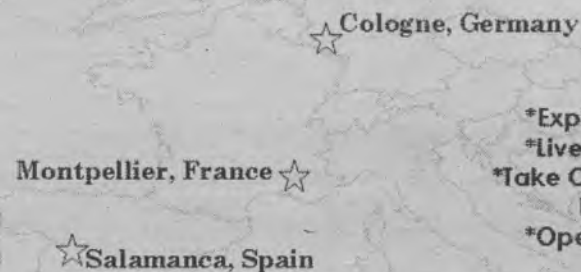
The Brothers and Pledges of Alpha Phi Omega would like to thank you for your support with our recent Casino Night, which was held on Friday, Feb. 20 in the Underground. The event was well-attended; we estimate attendance at around 150 people.

To help improve Casino Night in the future, we welcome your questions and comments, be they positive or negative. Please direct any communications to [apo@lvc.edu](mailto:apo@lvc.edu). Once again, thank you for helping to make the night a great success.

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## Parking on campus continued

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dropped." Regulations regarding parking are noted on signs on all college lots and on the Public Safety page of the LVC Web site.

According to Public Safety officer Donald Hopple, "The major controlling factor in issuing tickets is the number of people who are parked where they shouldn't park."

Yingst concluded about the parking problem, "We can't let it go - we'd have chaos if

we did." However, he did encourage students with questions about parking policy to call Public Safety.

Jason Kuntz suggested that students with concerns contact student government and arrange meetings with the college administration. He also mentioned that parking is available on College and Railroad avenues from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., but that college students should be mindful of Annville policies.

## Haiti hits close to home continued

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2000, elections many observers said were rigged in the current president Jean-Bertrand Aristide's party's favor. They led directly to the current rebellion, although Clark says that she didn't see any unrest while she was there, even though a bomb had gone off in the capital of Port-au-Prince. Her group did get stuck there an extra day, however, when American Airlines refused to fly to the island for a time.

In the past few weeks, her contacts in Port-au-Prince have gone silent as phone services on the island were cut in advance of an expected rebel invasion of the city. Clark had hoped to return there over spring break, but as the violence has escalated and missionary and aid groups have been pulled out, the prospects of traveling there again have grown dimmer by the day.

In her last trip, in March of 2003, she went alone and had a chance to live as a Haitian does. She stayed in a shack with an extended family of 15, all packed into a living space no larger than an average

American living room. Dinner, she says, was whatever could be found in the nearby market - fly-encrusted slabs of meat hanging in the mid-day sun were not out of the ordinary. Although the poverty is a problem left unsolved by the government of Aristide, many on the island blame the American invasion in 1994 that restored Aristide to power for their woes.

"If you talk to people down there, we're the ones who caused all the problems when we sent our troops down there," she explains. The Bush Administration has been reluctant to send help this time, instead trying to broker a diplomatic peace between the government and the rebels. The rebels are armed, but the government has no formal army since Aristide dissolved it after the American invasion.

"We're afraid it's too far gone to even put forth the effort," Clark says in explaining the United States' lack of motivation in helping the crisis in its backyard. "I think they're pretty close to the bottom right now."



## LVC student plans writing center

By Craig Layne '05  
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Charity Maurer wants the students at Southern Columbia Area High School to be prepared for college. A sophomore music education major at LVC, Maurer says she feels that many students from her alma mater, Southern Columbia, located in Catawissa, near Shamokin, Pa., are not getting all the help that they need to succeed after high school, especially in the field of writing.

To correct this, Maurer has been in contact with one of her high school English teachers and with the administration in an effort to establish a writing center within the school. The proposed Southern Columbia Writing Center would be modeled on the current LVC Writing Center, where Maurer tutors.

"Tutoring at the Writing Center here, you see a lot of students who just haven't gotten enough training in their high school," said Maurer. "I know my high school doesn't have enough in a lot of the English classes like grammar or literature," she added.

Professor Walter Labonte, the director of the LVC Writing Center, said that Charity asked him for materials about starting a writing center in a high school. "She has recognized a need and sought to address it," said Labonte. "We are proud that Charity is part of our organization and our tutoring team," he added.

The planned writing center would include a faculty advisor and paid student tutors - juniors and seniors who are recommended by the faculty - to work with their peers in one-on-one sessions. Maurer says that such a facility could easily be created in the cafeteria at Southern Columbia.

Maurer believes that writing across the curriculum is an integral part of the college academic experience. "No matter what job you get, in college or out of college... writing's really a necessary skill in all areas of life," said Maurer.

Maurer has written a grant proposal for the funds to open the center and she hopes that it will be in place for the beginning of the fall semester. But the budget for supplies and salaries for tutors has yet to be approved by the school district.

## Sweeney Todd brings air of intrigue and mystery to LVC

by Renae Boyer '07  
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The Wig and Buckle Dramatic Society opened its winter musical, *Sweeney Todd*, last weekend, bringing intrigue and mystery to the Leedy Theatre.

The cast began the musical by

**Nick Curry plays Sweeney Todd, who returns to England and becomes the demon barber of Fleet Street.**

powerfully singing a prologue which named Sweeney Todd (Nick Curry) "the demon barber of Fleet Street." The musical proceeded to tell the story of Sweeney Todd, who returned to England after being separated from his wife (Jess Bagley) and daughter (Kristen Erway) a few years earlier. Mrs. Lovett (Kinsey Deck) owned a

shop where she sold meat pies.

When Todd was previously living in England, he was a barber and lived above Mrs. Lovett's shop. Mrs. Lovett, played by Kinsey Deck, sold meat pies at her shop and had stored his barbering equipment for him while he was gone. She returned the equipment to Todd and revealed that Judge Turpin (Dave Ingalls) claimed his wife and daughter as his own.

Vowing to avenge Turpin's actions, Todd reopened his barber shop and adopted a new customer service policy. Todd and Mrs. Lovett became partners and maintained a business that was run with less than traditional practices. Todd attained almost everything he deviously planned to achieve.

Go see the thrilling musical this weekend to discover what he still lacked and how he became "the demon barber of Fleet Street."



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## 12 Monkeys: Two thumbs up

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Inspired by the 1962 short film entitled, *La Jetee* (The Runway), *12 Monkeys* is a well-constructed, intelligent feature with both a bright basis and an emotionally gratifying climax. *12 Monkeys* blends elements of drama, action, science-fiction, dark comedy and love all together to create a puzzle with many grandiose components whose effects are idyllic. Some claim that this movie is a dizzying mess that is difficult to classify as a film; I say that *12 Monkeys* is a perplexing joyride that keeps you paying attention, working your brain and on the edge of your seat at all times - a true rarity in the film industry these days.

The year is 2035, and the United States has fallen into a post-industrial depression and depletion stage. In 1997, 5 billion people died from a virus, and the one percent of the entire Earth's population who survived fled underground to avoid the plague; while the humans fled, the viral-immune animals seized the above-ground world. Now, the remaining scientists of the underground Earth continually send "volunteers" to the surface to collect observations, research and any living organisms that could possibly lead to finding a cure to the malignant virus. A cure would allow the human race to return to and reign the surface of the Earth once again. The scientists then launch their best observers back into time to help lead them to the origin of the deadly virus, which will then, in turn, help them to preserve the nature of the present world.

Bruce Willis finally escapes his clichéd John McClain character here by playing James Cole, one of the men who is chosen to be sent back in time to help save the world. The character of Cole becomes incapable of deciphering between his own sanity and madness, his own sense of reality and fantasy and his own ability to distinguish what is the past and what is the present. His scary and loony character is sometimes also seen as being heartfelt, making for an excellent lead played by an excellent actor. Brad Pitt is also exceptional in his supporting role as the crazy man, Jeffrey Gomes. His lazy-eyed manic character, with a John Henson skunk spot and all, is well-played and was well-deserving of the 1995 Oscar nomination he received.

Director Terry Gilliam (who was previously involved with such feats as all of the Monty Python productions, *Time Bandits*, *Brazil* and *The Fisher King*) becomes more of a "Hollywood" director with this film, being that it is one of his most widely-viewed and well-received features. It is hard not to exclaim, after viewing this film, that Gilliam is a cinematic genius whose thoughts, when put on screen, are impeccably astounding.

This highly recommended picture juggles all kinds of profound themes and includes all kinds of keeper quotes in a science fiction format that is guaranteed to please everyone. Over-all, this film is immensely entertaining and well worth two hours and nine minutes of your time. The film's flaws are trivial; the positives greatly outweigh any petty discrepancies. *12 Monkeys* creates an overall notion that warrants two of my opposable thumbs to be raised. (\*\*1/2 out of \*\*\*)



## Visit to Paris

By Sara Smith '05  
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Students in Dr. Barbara Anderman's ART 350 class, *Paris: Art, Culture and Urban Development*, had a unique field trip opportunity: a trip to Paris.

Last semester, six students - seniors Larissa Fabian, Erica Gibson, Kristin Showalter, Jennifer Borgerding and juniors Paul Curcio and Amanda Gumpherspent their Thanksgiving breaks in Paris, experiencing first-hand what they had learned about in the art class.

"After 14 weeks of looking at the art, culture and urban development of Paris, we really ought to have a look at the place," said Anderman, chair and assistant professor of art. "It's an integral part of the course."

The students - five from the class and a friend of one of the students - helped plan the itinerary. For the course, they visited Versailles, Musée d'Orsay, Musée du Louvre, and Notre Dame. They also visited the Musée Picasso, shopped at a traditional French market and dined at a bistro. After class excursions in the mornings, the students were free to explore Paris on their own.



Above: From left, professor Barbara Anderman, Deborah Fruchter (Anderman's niece), Larissa Fabian, Paul Curcio, Erica Gibson, Amanda Gumphers, Kristin Showalter and Jen Borgerding enjoy a Parisian dinner.

Students were required to take photographs of the sites they visited and collect them in a photographic essay, which brought together information they learned in class with their own experiences in Paris. Participating students received an extra credit in the course.

The class is a DSP that will be offered every few fall semesters. Meanwhile, Anderman is looking for ways to integrate more trips in the art DSP classes. "The other classes don't offer as obvious a location as the Paris class, but we're looking into future class trips for our DSP courses."

Right: As part of their trip to Paris over Thanksgiving break, LVC students visited the Notre Dame cathedral.

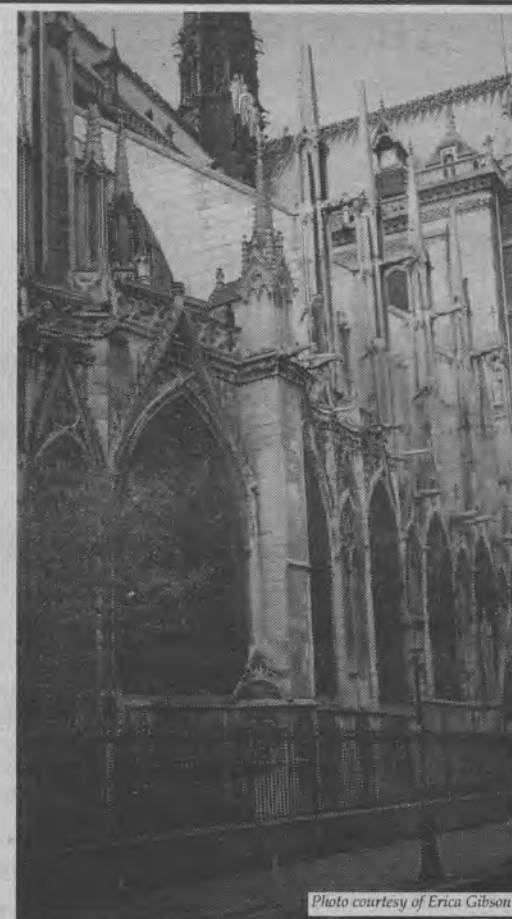


Photo courtesy of Erica Gibson

## Mass at an attendable hour

By Matt Blaise '07  
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On behalf of Father John Peck of St. Paul's Catholic Church in Annville, greetings and best wishes for a very blessed and fruitful Lenten season. I want to make you all aware of a very special opportunity that is available to all the Catholic students here at LVC.

As you have been taught over the years, consistent weekly participation in Sunday Mass is a must. It is very common and understandable that a college student, caught up in all the madness of college life, might start to lose sight of this obligation. This is why it is important that we use the season of Lent as a chance to reflect on our own lives as well as on the life of Christ, and to use this time to come back to the Lord.

I'm sure you would agree that the greatest commodity in college is sleep. And with all the rehearsals, activities and sporting events that occupy our Saturday mornings, Sunday becomes the most logical day for sleeping in. Father John and the members of St. Paul's make the trip to LVC Sunday after Sunday to provide us with liturgical celebrations perfectly suited for the college student. Fortunately for us, they understand our need for sleep and work conveniently around our schedule.

Sunday Mass is celebrated at 12:30 p.m. in the narthex of Miller Chapel. This is, of course, a full Catholic Mass including the

Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Father John's radiant personality and inspirational homilies make mass at LVC a very beautiful chance to surrender ourselves to the Lord and to receive him completely, strengthening us for another fully packed week. To top it all off, the relaxing guitar and traditional hymns create a soothing atmosphere - ideal for praying and putting ourselves in God's hands.

Now that the season of Lent is in full swing, perhaps it is time that we as a Catholic community focus more intensely on honoring our Sunday mass obligation. It is important to remember that our Sunday obligation is not an optional part of our lives. Our Father asks simply one hour of our time each week. I hope to see all of our Catholic students taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity. I encourage you to join us in celebrating our Catholic tradition. It may be hard to get out of bed on a Sunday, but I promise that once you put God back into the equation, you will find yourself sleeping better than you ever have before.

Sunday Mass schedules are available in Miller Chapel and on the LVC Web site. Should scheduling conflicts ever occur that would cause Mass to be cancelled, I would be more than happy to personally provide anyone in need with a ride to St. Paul's for 10:30 a.m. mass. If anyone has any thoughts or questions, please don't hesitate to e-mail me at mtb002@lvc.edu or call me at x5175. See you on Sunday!

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## Reagan visits Dutch country

This week's historical article was printed on Nov. 8, 1984. In the wake of President Bush's Feb. 12 visit to Central Dauphin High School, this article provides a look at another presidential visit to the county by former president Ronald Reagan. Reagan's speech at Millersville University was greeted by both praise and protest, just as President Bush's recent appearance, and his speech drew a crowd of interested LVC students as well. Read on for the highlights and subject matter of Reagan's trip to Millersville.

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By Mark Scott

A group of almost 100 Lebanon Valley students were among the four thousand that greeted President Reagan on Monday, Oct. 29 at Millersville University. The trip was sponsored and arranged by the College Republicans, who were given tickets by the Lancaster County Republican Committee to distribute to Reagan supporters on campus.

The rally began at 8:00 am, with huge lines forming to get into Millersville's banner and flag-draped Pucillo Gymnasium. Bands and choirs from surrounding colleges and high schools provided entertainment and kept up the fervor that is characteristic of events like this until the President arrived at 10:00. The LVC Jazz Band had been scheduled to play, but due to time and space problems, was unable to.

Finally, the President arrived shortly after 10:00. When a campaign aid put the Presidential Seal on the podium, the excitement in the gym rose to a climax as it was now obvious that the President had arrived. When he mounted the stage, [which was] decorated with the fruits of a Lancaster county harvest and bordered with a backdrop of a Central Pennsylvania landscape and a huger banner proclaiming "Pennsylvania Dutch Country; Dutch Reagan Country," after the President's nickname, the crowd cheered and clapped.

In his speech, the President repeated his campaign themes of peace and prosperity. He lashed out at the Democratic Party as the party of old



**President Ronald Reagan visited Millersville University on October 29, 1984 where he was greeted by four thousand people. His speech repeated his campaign themes of peace and prosperity.**

ideas that no longer work, and he lauded the Republican Party as the party of new ideas for the future. He cited figures claiming that his opponent, Walter Mondale's proposed tax hike would account for \$150 a month in extra taxes for the average American household. He said that this was enough money for a second mortgage, and asked the highly partisan crowd if they were willing to pay a "Mondale Mortgage," to which they responded loudly and angrily, "NO!"

Throughout his speech, he was frequently interrupted by chants of "U.S.A.!" and "Four More Years!" Not all of the interruptions were friendly though; for at the beginning

of the speech, a heckler was insistent in his demands that the President tell the crowd "T.M.I., yes or no," before he was hustled out by supporters of the President. After the heckler had gone, the President commented, "Did someone have to leave back there? I thought it was an echo!" which was greeted by cheers and laughter from the crowd.

Finally, he summed up by warning the audience not to listen to the polls, and not to be complacent about voting on Nov. 6, no matter how big a lead they showed for him. He finished by declaring "lets win this one for the Gipper!" after the famous line from one of his movies.



## Opinion: Kansas church group to picket local high school

By Adam Bentz '04  
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According to a report from the *Patriot News*, members of the Kansas Westboro Baptist Church, made famous by their inflammatory, derogatory Web site [www.godhatesfags.com](http://www.godhatesfags.com), will return to Lebanon County to picket Cedar Crest High School on March 22 from 7 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. They will picket several prominent Harrisburg churches on March 21 as well.

Their decision stems from last year's showing of *Jim in Bold*, a documentary on being young and gay in America. Its title reflects on the life of Jim Wheeler, a teen who allegedly killed himself due to hazing he received while being an openly gay student at Cedar Crest High School in South Lebanon Township.

*Jim in Bold* was produced by a team including Malcolm Lazin, a Philadelphia attorney and LVC graduate who contributes time and energy to the betterment of his alma mater.

The Kansas hate group is famous for its absolute intolerance of homosexual or bisexual Americans and their vitriolic

condemnations of those who oppose them. The group plans to put a six-foot pink granite monument to Jim Wheeler in a park in Lebanon - a monument that will list his name and the "day he entered Hell," according to the WBC.

Lebanon County commissioners have said they will not allow the group to erect the monument and that a long, costly legal battle faces the Lebanon County community.

The leader of the WBC, Fred Phelps, has successfully won similar battles in other cities throughout the country. His organization relies on the talents of its attorney members to score legal victories and make headlines.

Not only a gay-hating group, the WBC operates a partner site, [www.godhatesamerica.com](http://www.godhatesamerica.com). The group blames Sept. 11 on American homosexuals and calls the United States a "modern-day Babylon." Although mainstream media sources refer to the group as "conservative," the group has criticized ultra-right wing talk show host Rush Limbaugh.

Unpatriotic and intolerant, the WBC relies on American free speech to denounce American freedom.

# Send us your photos and we'll send you to the movies



The Yearbook staff is looking for photos to feature in the 2004 Quittapahilla. If you have pictures from the current academic year that capture life at LVC, then send them to us (Attn: Yearbook Office) via campus mail.

Movie prize packages for the Palmyra Cinema will be awarded to those submitting our three favorite photos. Each photo should be labeled with the name of the photographer and names of any individuals pictured. All photos used in the yearbook will be given a photo credit.



**Deadline for submission is Monday, March 15.**



**LVC's Scores****Men's Basketball:**

2/17 vs. Widener L, 54-70  
 2/21 vs. Juniata L, 72-83  
 2/25 vs. Widener\* L, 63-54  
 Record: 14-12  
 Conference: 8-6

**Women's Basketball:**

2/17 vs. Widener WOT, 68-67  
 2/21 vs. Juniata W, 71-62  
 2/25 vs. Moravian\* L, 57-52  
 Record: 20-5  
 Conference: 10-4

\* = Commonwealth  
 Conference semi-final

**Ice Hockey:**

2/21 vs. Stone Hill W, 9-3  
 2/22 vs. W. New England W, 3-2  
 Record: 17-7  
 Conference: 14-2  
 End of regular season  
 #2 ECACNE seed

**Indoor track:**

2/21 vs. Susquehanna Invit.  
 Men: non-scoring  
 Women: non-scoring

**MacCormack gets 100th point**

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 ond period. With a 4-1 lead the Dutchmen still weren't satisfied. Andrew Rummel made it 5-1 at 14:36 followed by Vandevener's second goal of the game 22 seconds later. Jason Slusher would cap off the scoring in the second period with exactly one minute remaining in the period to make it 7-2 Dutchmen.

In the third period Matt Fishbone netted a powerplay goal 59 seconds into the period to make it 8-2. Brendon Herr would close out the scoring for the Dutchmen at the 11:05 mark of the third period scoring on the powerplay to make it 9-2. Stonehill would score once more before the end of the game, but the Dutchmen would go on to



Photo courtesy of Sports Information  
**Senior Doug MacCormack, who scored his 100th career point Saturday with two assists in the first period.**

win the game in crushing fashion 9-3.

In goal Sonny Holding stopped 26 of 29 shots in picking up his seventh win of the season.

On Sunday the Dutchmen returned to their usual home of Hersheypark Arena to close out the 2003-04 regular season.

After a scoreless first period in which the Dutchmen killed off four penalties things opened up in the second. Western New England got on the board first 24 second into the period, but the Dutchmen would answer. Jeffery Smith tied things up at 6:47 after beating a Western New England defenseman with some nifty stick handling then wristed a shot past WNEC goalie Mike Newall. Ten minutes later the Dutchmen would take their first lead of the afternoon when Anthony Lattanze skated through the check of a defenseman and found Nick McCreary cutting to

the front of the net to one-time the puck past Newall. The goal was McCreary's second of the year. Slusher would put the Dutchmen up two on a well-placed wrist shot from the left point. Western New England would make it 3-2 with just over a minute left in the second but that's as close as they would get.

The win was the Dutchmen's ninth in a row and secured the second seed for them heading into the playoffs.

Holding made his second consecutive start stopping 21 of 23 shots in winning his eighth game of the year.

The Dutchmen open the playoffs Saturday at Hersheypark Arena against Suffolk. The pucks drops at 1 p.m.

**Track breaks more records at Susquehanna****Newsome, Stewart set new records at indoor meet**

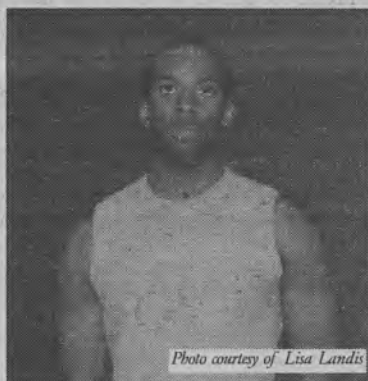
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Two school records fell on Saturday when the Dutchmen track and field squad traveled to Susquehanna University for the Orange and Maroon Classic.

Freshman Alan Newsome lowered his own school record in the 200 meter dash with a 23.42 second performance, and also placed fourth. The mark betters the 23.47 clocking he recorded just two weeks earlier at the Ursinus Invitational. Newsome also finished fourth in the 55 meter dash, breaking the tape in 6.75 seconds.

Sophomore Latoya Stewart led the women's track and field team to a banner day at Susquehanna last Saturday, breaking a week-old triple jump record and placing in four events.

Stewart's sixth-place triple jump of 10.15 meters (33-3 3/4)



**Freshman Alan Newsome, who beat his own 200-meter record** broke the 33-2 1/2 mark set by teammate Lisa Landis on Feb. 13, also at Susquehanna. Stewart also placed sixth in the long jump with a leap of 4.67 meters, and third in the high jump, clearing five feet even. She also teamed with classmate Kelly Hilkert and freshmen Jamie Reynolds and Brittany Dukeman in the 4x200 relay for a time of 1:56.01, good for sixth place.

Hilkert also ran to a season-best 1:02.69 in the 400, placing

ninth, while Reynolds crossed the line in 2:30.01 in the 800 to finish sixth. The pair joined Dukeman and freshman Kodie Morrison on the 4x400 relay, where they finished seventh in 4:29.36.

In the field, senior Amy Wagner cleared 9-6 in the pole vault, placing third, while Bonnie Susan notched an eighth-place finish with a 4.56 meter leap in the long jump. Landis added a seventh-place finish in the triple jump with a 9.97 meter mark.

Also, on the men's side, junior Jordan Newell ran to a third-place finish in the 55 hurdles with a time of 8.09 seconds, and finished seventh in the high jump by clearing six feet even. Sophomore Jimmy Buckson cleared 13 feet even in the pole vault to place eighth.

The LVC squads qualified 25 athletes for the MAC indoor championship meet, which goes off tomorrow at 11 a.m. at Susquehanna.

Northcott were both named to the second team. Gibson had an outstanding year at the point for the Dutchmen while Northcott, getting her third-straight second team nod, averaged a double-double at the center spot.

**Men's and women's cagers selected for All-MAC teams**

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record of 84 held by Mike Rhodes '95. Byers was also named to the All-Commonwealth First Team.

On the women's side, three LVC players were named to either the first or second team. Junior

guard Erin Eaby was named to the first team for the first time in her career after finishing second in the conference in scoring and first in steals.

Junior guard Crystal Gibson and junior center Jennifer

**The Valley Tally:  
Dutchmen honored****Byers, Northcott named to regional All-Academic teams**

Juniors J.D. Byers of the men's basketball team and Jennifer Northcott of the women's basketball team were named to regional All-Academic teams last week. Byers, a business major, was named First Team All-District II College Division by CoSIDA. He will now move on for Academic All-American consideration. Northcott, a psychology major, was named to the Third Team All-District II College Division. To be named to the team, a player must have a 3.2 GPA or greater and be a starter or significant reserve.

**Nine field hockey players earn All-Academic honors**

Nine field hockey players have been named to the NFCHA Division III National Academic Squad. Earning spots were sophomore Courtney Abbott, freshman Kristen Adamczyk, freshman Melissa Brong, junior Lindsey McCormick, freshman Katie Pawlewicz, sophomore Sam Peterson, senior Jen Selin, freshman Jenn Wagner, and sophomore Kym Weed.

**Athletes of the Week**

**Senior Doug MacCormack** scored his 100th career point with two assists in ice hockey's win Saturday over Stone Hill College.



**Sophomore LaToya Stewart** placed in four events and set a school record in the triple jump in the track meet at Susquehanna.

Photos courtesy of Sports Information

**Upcoming playoff broadcasts**

**Ice Hockey:**  
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# SPORTS SPECIAL: BASKETBALL SEMI-FINALS

## Widener bounces men's basketball from playoffs

### Harlor's six treys not enough to beat Pioneers

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A rollercoaster season came to a grinding halt Wednesday night as the men's basketball team lost their Commonwealth Conference playoff semi-final to Widener 63-54.

The Flying Dutchmen, who finish the season at 14-12 overall, must now sit back and wait to see if they receive an invitation to the ECAC South tournament.

The fourth seed in the playoffs, LVC faced a daunting challenge in taking on a very talented and very deep Widener team in Chester for the second time in as many weeks.

The news was good by the half. LVC had flown out to a 36-30 lead on the back of senior guard Evan Harlor, who scored 17 of his 20 points in the first half thanks to incredible 5-of-5 three-point shooting.

The Valley shot a torrid 54.2 percent in the first half, including 75 percent from beyond the arc. However, Widener kept it close, shooting 41 percent themselves



Senior Evan Harlor, seen here in this file photo, scored 20 points on 6-of-8 three point shooting in LVC's playoff loss to Widener.

to keep the lockerroom deficit to six points.

But the bottom fell out in the second. The Dutchmen managed just five buckets from the floor in the second half, to go with five points from the line. The Pioneers outscored the Dutchmen 33-18 in the second stanza, and what had looked like a promising upset turned into an early playoff exit for the second straight year.

Both teams shot the lights out from beyond the arc, each shooting around 45 percent for the game. The Dutchmen made 9 of their 20 attempts while Widener answered with 10 of 22, including five from Casey Stitzel

and three from Bilal McAfee.

Individually, several LVC players put in solid performances. Harlor ended up with a game-high 20 points on 6-of-8 three point shooting and also grabbed six rebounds. Junior guard J.D. Byers posted 12 points and four assists, and went 6-6 from the charity stripe.

The loss marked the end of an up-and-down season for the Dutchmen that saw them lead or share the lead in the Commonwealth several times during the regular season.

Widener, the top seed in the playoffs, moves on to face Elizabethtown in the championship Saturday afternoon.

## Moravian takes out women again, 57-52

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The resemblance was uncanny - nearly every aspect of the women's basketball team's playoff game against Moravian Wednesday was identical to its counterpart last year.

They had to travel to Bethlehem as the result of a crazy conference tie-breaker. They had the game in their sights early on. And unfortunately, like last year, Moravian won.

The Flying Dutchmen jumped out to an early lead thanks to some tough defense and poor shooting from the Greyhounds. They carried an 8-0 lead to start, but Moravian slowly chipped away thanks in part to foul shooting. The Dutchmen sent Moravian to the line 15 times in the first half, and they made ten.

The outstanding foul shooting led to a tie 18-18 scoreline at the half, even though Moravian shot just 4 for 25 from the floor.

The second half would be a frustrating one for LVC. Moravian retook the lead after it was tied at 22, gradually increasing it to as many as seven. LVC chipped away, though, coming with a point on several occasions, but they just couldn't get their feet through the door.

In the end, Moravian would sink 21 of its 29 chances at the line and won despite shooting poorly the entire game from the floor.

As for the Dutchmen, their season-best 86.7 percent from the line wasn't enough.

Now LVC will wait for a probable bid to the ECAC South tournament, which they won last season.

## Byers named Commonwealth POY

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Junior guard J.D. Byers of the men's basketball team was named the Commonwealth Conference Player of the Year on Monday by conference officials.

Byers won the award, which

is voted on by the league's coaches, after finishing second in the conference in scoring (18.7 ppg), and first in assists (4.88 apg) and three-pointers made (82). He became LVC's 27th career 1,000 point scorer earlier this season and is just two three-pointers away from tying the school

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## Icers playoff-bound after two straight weekend wins

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With the ECAC Northeast playoffs only a week away and already having been guaranteed a first round home game it would have been easy for the LVC hockey to look past a pair of games against basement dwelling Stone Hill College and Western New England College. But they didn't and that's exactly why they are preparing to host a first

round playoff game next week; they never look ahead.

On Saturday afternoon the Dutchmen traveled to Harrisburg to play their first home game in over a month. And while the team's number one goal was to leave with a win most of the players on the team also had a second task on their agenda as well. That second task was to make sure that senior co-captain Doug McCormack reached the 100-point plateau

before the end of the regular season. No one thought it would happen before the end of the first period, but it did. 42 seconds McCormack got career point number 99 when Anthony Pace popped home his 11th goal of the season to give Lebanon Valley a 1-0 lead. McCormack would get point number 100 almost 18 minutes later when Alex Beatrice found the back of the net to make it 2-0. Pace and McCormack assisted on the

goal, with the assist being McCormack's 100th career point.

In the second period Stonehill would cut the LVC lead in half at the 5:52 mark, but the Dutchmen would answer 20 seconds later off Pace's second goal of the game. Three minutes later LVC would extend their lead to three when Cameron Vandever picked up a short handed goal at 9:02 of the sec-

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## Former Nazi speaks to LVC community

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As a former member of Germany's Nazi party and a six-year combatant for Adolf Hitler's Third Reich in World War II, Erno Schulz understands what it is like to have freedom wrenched from society. His mission is to make sure it never happens again.

In a talk given at Lebanon Valley College on Tuesday, Schulz implored America's college-aged generation not to take freedom for granted as so many Germans did when they allowed Hitler to rise to power in 1933.

"Every system can collapse when the citizens do not show vigilance and care," Schulz said during his lecture, referring to the way liberty can be usurped if a nation's citizens allow it to be. "To live in a democracy is a gift to be cherished at all times."



Erno Schulz speaks about coming to America during a lecture at LVC Tuesday

Schulz, who was wounded late in the war at the Battle of the Bulge in Belgium, is not an imposing man; in fact, it is hard to believe that he could have once fought in the bloodiest war in human history. But as the German-born 83-year-old spoke, the audience began to understand just how the "darkest period in German history" would come to be.

As Schulz explained, Hitler came to power simply because there was nowhere else to turn. By 1933, there

had been a succession of 20 failed democratic governments in Germany. With the population starving and out of work, Hitler was the only choice.

So Schulz joined the Hitler Jugend, or youth organization of the Third Reich, at just 10 years of age. He said that no one that age knew what they were being taught was wrong. As far as they knew, it was the right way. When it came time to join the army at age 18, Schulz said, it "was not only a duty, but

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## Politics on the eve of Super Tuesday

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Unexpected events have characterized many presidential campaigns over the years, and 2004 is no exception.

For a start, Ralph Nader is now a presidential candidate – again. He's running as an independent this time, shedding his 2000 affiliation with the Green Party.

Plenty of anti-Bush liberals throughout the United States are still fuming about the measly 3 percent Nader won in 2000, which theoretically could have sewn up the election for Democrat Al Gore.

Nonetheless, Nader has announced he intends to clean up the political process by forcing the Democratic Party to the left and by keeping far-left issues at the heart of the presidential campaign.

The president met Nader's attempt to pull politics to the left with a major rightward offensive. Breaking from his previous wariness on making moral stands, Bush endorsed a Constitutional ban on same-sex marriage on Feb. 24, restoring many social conservatives' faith in the president, but drawing the ire and hatred of many American liberals. His decision and the statement he made directly challenged San Francisco officials who are currently giving illegal marriage licenses and weddings to homosexuals.

Despite the bitter tone of the polarizing events of the last few weeks, the democratic process continues, proving once again that a nation based on political freedom and liberty is not necessarily subject to chaos and violent revolution – unlike Haiti.

On Super Tuesday, Mar. 2, Democrats chose their presidential nominee in 10 states, including New York, California, Maryland and Ohio.

John Edwards' unwillingness to enter the fray and strike first blood on John Kerry has virtually sentenced him to death, according to top political commentators. Nonetheless, his southern appeal could carry Georgia.

A shrewd political observer would be right to conclude that Edwards is not running for president against John Kerry – he's running for vice president under John Kerry.

Regardless of who wins the Democratic nomination, the fight against President Bush will be long and bloody and could open many national wounds once more.

## Main St. fire snarls rush hour traffic



An apartment fire in downtown Annville snarled traffic on Rt. 422 Tuesday.

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A fire in an Annville apartment snarled rush-hour traffic Tuesday, closing Main Street (Route 422) for an hour and a half.

The fire started outside of an apartment above the Homespun Peddlers

business on East Main Street. It began in the trash outside the apartment at 4:21 p.m. and spread up the back of the building, according to Union Hose Fire Chief Paul Longenecker.

No one was injured in the blaze. Longenecker said that the cause was undetermined, but believed it was an accident caused by a candle or a cigarette.

Units from Union Hose, Cleona, Palmyra, and Neversink fire companies responded to the incident within two minutes of the call, and had the fire under control within 10 minutes of arrival. Longenecker estimated damage to the apartment at around \$10,000 to \$12,000.

The fire did not spread into MJ's Coffeehouse or the Allen Theatre, which are located next door. Both were evacuated, however, and the Allen was showing *The Passion of the Christ* at the time of the fire.

Officials had to close Route 422 between College Avenue and Route 934 for a time due to the fire activity, redirecting westbound traffic up College Avenue and onto Sheridan Avenue through campus.

Police and fire officials redirected traffic, which had backed up both ways on Sheridan Avenue and north up Route 934 past campus. Main Street reopened to traffic shortly before 6 p.m.

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# Around the world in 300 words

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## Conjoined tortoises return home to live separate lives:

The former conjoined twin tortoises, separated on Feb. 9, returned home to Tuscon, Ariz., last week. These African leopard tortoises were for sale on a Web site where Bobby Ehasz, 29, an Air Force officer, purchased them in order to save them. Peanut Butter and Jelly survived their three-hour surgery and have recovered well. Peanut Butter is the stronger of the two, and prognosis for a full recovery is promising. Jelly may encounter problems because he only has a small intestine after the surgery. Another modern science miracle... and two happier tortoises...

## Dropping out of high school in Chicago may become more difficult:

A school district in Chicago has implemented the use of a new consent form for students who are dropping out of school and for the stu-

dents' parents. The form uses brutal honesty in explaining the dangers of dropping out of high school in today's world. Dropping-out students ages 16 to 18 and their parents or guardians must sign the form claiming several of the following: "I will be less likely to find good jobs that pay well, bad jobs that don't pay well, or maybe any jobs. I will not be able to afford many things that I will see others acquiring. I will be more likely to spend time in jail or prison. I will be more likely to rely on the state welfare system for my livelihood. I will be considerably less able to properly care for and educate my children." Administrators are hoping this new consent form convinces the 13 percent of their students that drop out each year to stay in school.

## Air traffic making aid harder for morocco quake survivors:

Moroccan authorities halted relief flights into the hard-hit area's Imzouren main airport due to an overwhelming amount of air traffic. Survivors of the Tuesday, Feb. 24, earthquake in northern

Morocco wait for relief as flights are diverted. The quake devastated an already impoverished region. Over 571 deaths have been reported and more than 400 injuries. Thousands are left homeless. Angry and starving survivors are beginning to riot. Authorities say that once the air traffic is under control, the aid from the United States, Belgium, Finland, Spain and France will be easier to get to the people.

**Saudi Web site bans Jews:** The Saudi government has launched an investigation into why its tourism Web site posted a notice that travel visas would not be issued to people of the Jewish faith. The embassy representative, Adel Al-Jubeir, claims the information was posted by mistake and is untrue. The posting was removed on Friday morning. No word yet as to who posted the ban.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

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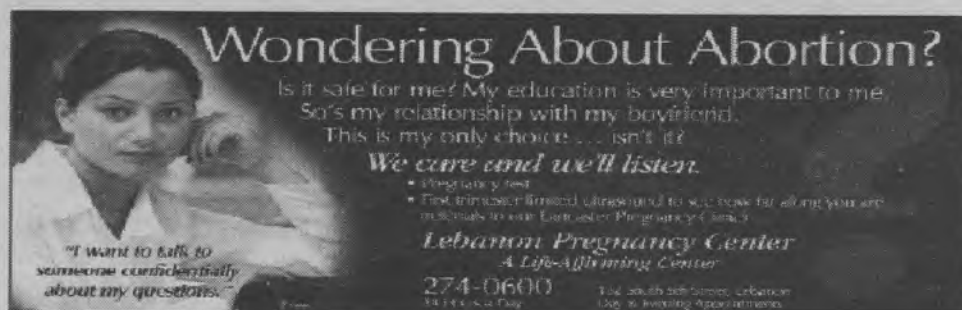
## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Sunday, Feb. 22, a tractor trailer reportedly damaged a Lebanon Valley College sign at the intersection of Sheridan Avenue and Railroad Street. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 29, a student in Funkhouser Hall reported that someone entered his room and damaged some personal property. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, Feb. 29, a license plate was removed from a vehicle on campus and the antenna was damaged. Investigation continues.



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## Oil spill: 4 dead, 17 missing

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Oil spills aren't just for Alaska to worry about anymore. On Sunday evening, about 6 p.m. EST, a 570-foot Singapore-flagged tanker going from New York to Houston exploded in the Chesapeake Bay region, 50 miles off Chincoteague Island, Va., the tip of the Delmarva peninsula. Four crewmen are known dead, six survived and 17 other crew members were still missing at press time. The water temperature was reported at 44 degrees, and the depth of the site is estimated to be from 230 to 250 feet.

The Coast Guard received the distress call almost immediately from the tanker, the Bow Mariner. By the time the HH-60 Jayhawk helicopter reached the scene an hour later, it found the ship 2/3 of the way sunk, and six people on a life raft holding on for dear life. A search continued through Monday, but Coast Guard 5th District Commander Rear Adm. Sally Brice-O'Hara is not very optimistic, because "the longer that the search goes on, the less likely we will find anyone alive."

The crew consisted of 24 Filipinos and three Greeks. According to internationally accepted maritime laws, the country whose flag was flown from the ship leads any investigations on occurrences in international waters. However, Singapore has conceded that right to the U.S. Coast Guard, which is

looking into salvaging the ship. In a press release from the Coast Guard, there is no indication of terrorism.

The ship was carrying 3.5 million gallons of ethanol, 200 thousand gallons of fuel oil and 53 thousand gallons of diesel fuel. What does that mean? Ethanol, or E95 alcohol, is a clear, colorless form of alcohol, mostly used in cleaning agents. It is reportedly harmless to aquatic creatures, if less than 1000 mg/liter. It is widely regarded as "biodegradable," so it should dissolve and not leave any trace. Marine Safety Officer Commander Steve Hanewich of Hampton, Va., says that the heavy oil is the problem. "Much of it will emulsify and be distributed throughout the water column, showing up as 'tar balls.'"

The six survivors were rescued by the crew of the Jayhawk, specifically by Aviation Survival Technician Dave Forman, who went down to save the men when they could not reach for the rescue basket. The men didn't have a very good grasp of English, were covered in oil and were very cold. One man's core temperature was 80 degrees – well below the body's normal 98.6 degrees. The men were taken to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital, where they were treated for hypothermia and petroleum contamination.

Information on accident from CNN.com

Information on ethanol from [www.scienceinthe-box.com/en\\_UK/](http://www.scienceinthe-box.com/en_UK/)

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**Deadline for submission is Monday, March 15.**



# Editorial: Ashcroft seeks medical records

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In an attempt to undermine doctor-patient confidentiality, Attorney General John Ashcroft announced on Feb. 12 that the Justice Department will be seeking hundreds of female patient records from several major city hospitals to determine whether or not certain abortion procedures performed were medically necessary.

Lawyers for the Justice Department say they need these medical records in order to defend the law that prohibits partial-birth abortions. The partial-birth abortion ban, which President George W. Bush signed into law on Nov. 5, prevents a woman from having a range of safe and common abortion procedures.

Doctors, who have already been issued subpoenas, say that the partial-birth abortion law is unconstitutional because of its very broad nature and the fact that the ban does not take into consideration the woman's health. However, the Justice Department sees it differently. "The Congress has enacted a law with the president's signature that outlaws this terrible practice," Ashcroft says. "We sought from

the judge authority to get medical records to find out whether indeed the allegation by the plaintiffs that it's medically necessary is really in fact," he said.

The Justice Department will accept records that have patients' names removed. However, abortion-rights supporters still see the subpoenas as an intrusion into confidential information. Democratic Representative Eliot Engel of New York says that "[a]ll Americans should have the right to visit their doctor and receive sound medical attention without the fear of Big Brother looking into those records."

Hospital administrators agree by saying that the potential seizure of patients' records violates privacy rights. However, some federal judges are divided on the issue. In New York, a federal judge is allowing the subpoenas to go through and is threatening to lift a temporary ban on the government's abortion restrictions, if hospitals refuse to turn over the records. In Chicago, U.S. District Judge Charles Kocoras threw out the subpoena against Northwestern Memorial Hospital by saying that the Illinois medical privacy law takes precedence over the government's need for the records. The Justice Department plans to appeal.

Doctors, hospital administrators and judges are not the only ones concerned about Ashcroft's abuse of power. Kim Gandy, president of the National Organization for Women, calls the invasion "outrageous" and is urging NOW activists to send letters to Congress demanding for a congressional inquiry into this matter. Lebanon Valley College political science professor Dr. Griffin Hathaway also disagrees with the Justice Department and says the action is "another way to implicitly prohibit a woman's right to choose." Hathaway commented that opponents of abortion, having failed to overturn *Roe v. Wade*, are now trying to make the abortion option as difficult as possible for women to consider.

On the other side of the spectrum, Dr. Joe DeCook, vice president of the American Association of Pro-Life Obstetricians and Gynecologists, says government officials should be able to obtain the records since they are the enforcers of federal laws.

Looking at this issue from the standpoint of whether or not the action is constitutional, Dr. John Norton, also a political science professor at LVC, says that "[w]hile it is legitimate to investigate possible criminal activity and to subpoena for

evidence of it, [the Justice Department] can be limited where they violate an act or a Constitutional principle." If Ashcroft appeals the lower court ruling, Norton says the issue might be brought before the Supreme Court.

On the other hand, Ashcroft may decide to withdraw the subpoenas. However, Norton says the privacy issue will come into play if a grand jury requires hospital administrators to release the names of women who have had abortion procedures done. "I agree with [Judge Kocoras] ruling," says Norton. "I think Ashcroft and the grand jury should seek other means that do not violate privacy rights to determine whether or not there has been a violation of the law."

Now the question remains: Do you want John Ashcroft looking through your medical records? If you value your privacy or if you value the right to choose, consider acting out against this measure before it's too late. Call or send your messages to Congress today. You can visit [www.now.org](http://www.now.org) or [www.congress.org](http://www.congress.org) to contact your representatives.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com), [www.democracynow.org](http://www.democracynow.org), and [www.now.org](http://www.now.org) as sources for this story.

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## Thoughts from the editors

As most of the students on this campus pick up this edition of the newspaper, we're looking forward to tomorrow and leaving for spring break. We wish everyone a restful and relaxing week away from campus and hope that everyone traveling has a safe trip.

This week's issue focuses on a wide variety of issues, and stories not only look at the LVC campus, but go beyond to the realm of the national political world as well. Many of these issues are especially important as we continue through this primary season, because the Democrats will announce their presidential nomination before we know it. Take time to review the issues and see what the candidates stand for, and while you're at it, think about where you stand on various political issues. After all, in eight months, this country will either re-elect George W.

Bush or vote in a new Democratic president, and as we learned four years ago, our votes really do count.

Also, as usual, *La Vie* is working on its search for new members for the 2004-5 school year. Seven staff members will be graduating in just two months, so there will be plenty of opportunity for lots of students to get involved. In addition to the usual call for writers, *La Vie* will also be looking to fill several editorial and photography positions. Also, our sports department would love to meet any student who has any interest in any sport and who would like to write for the newspaper. As you start thinking about your plans for the next school year, don't forget that working on the newspaper is a great way to build a portfolio and a great resume builder.

We'll see everyone again in 11 days! Have a wonderful break!



# The passion surrounding *The Passion*

By Adam Bentz '04

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Walking into the Allen theatre on Feb. 25, I had a feeling I was in for an emotional, touching, and personal experience. I was not disappointed. All the hype and publicity *The Passion of the Christ* is receiving is totally justified. Unlike some controversial films, in my opinion the film is totally accessible and meaningful to anyone who's human and feels pain and love.

The debate over Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ* mainly centers on two myths. The first myth claims Gibson's film portrays Jews as the killers of Christ, whom Christians

believe is the Son of God. Although Gibson adheres to a very traditional view of Christ's suffering, the film does not make Jews out to be murderers of the Savior. On the contrary, *The Passion* elevates several Jews to hero-status, namely Christ himself.

If the film makes anyone out to be the villain, it singles out the high priest of the Jews, Caiaphas, as the one who stirred up an angry, uninformed mob that forced Roman governor Pontius Pilate to give the order to crucify Jesus. Despite this, Caiaphas clearly does not represent all the Jews, but in fact represents the evil and jealousy that is present in all of us. Mel Gibson points out who he sees as the evil men who crucified Jesus, but makes no attempt to

paint all Jews with the same brush.

The second anti-*Passion* faction claims that the film is too violent. Quite frankly, I don't know what any-

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one walking into a modern-day film on Jesus Christ's crucifixion would expect. The *Passion* brought me back to my childhood days in Catholic school when we learned of Christ's suffering before and after the crucifixion. I don't remember any balloons,

clowns, and ice cream in the *Passion* story. I do remember that Christ was beaten severely and nailed to a tree.

Although *The Passion* naturally appeals to a Christian audience, I believe the film can be interpreted in many ways. Anyone who has suffered mentally or physically for others can sympathize with Christ in the film. Anyone who has a beating heart and anyone who has ever shed a tear for a fellow human being can see this film and get what Gibson is trying to say.

Through brilliant artistry, Gibson has retold one of the world's great stories. The film is a legacy he will be remembered for.

## Former Nazi speaks at LVC continued

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an honor."

After fighting for six years, Schulz was captured by Americans and became a prisoner of war for 18 months. There, the kindness of his American captors convinced him that becoming an American citizen would be his goal.

A large portion of his talk concentrated on the lasting memories of the war and this eventual immigration to the United States, whose culture and language he had no idea of, in 1955. After becoming an American citizen in 1960, Schulz went on to graduate from Millersville University and have a successful career teaching German in high schools, eventually earning the Teacher of

the Year award from the state of Maryland in 1980.

"For as long as I love, I will always be thankful for the opportunity given to me," Schulz told the audience as he stood behind a podium with a sign reading, "The Road to America! A Dream Comes True!"

Still, despite his success in 48 years of American life, the thoughts of the war remain strong.

"I know in time the wounds of World War II will heal," he said. "But the thought that I was one of the millions of Germans that carried out Hitler's instructions will always be on my mind."

## How Would You Like to be the President's Boss???

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If you are a rising Junior, please ask your advisor about becoming a Trustee. Or, for more information, email Karin Right-Nolan at [right@lvc.edu](mailto:right@lvc.edu), Sherri Pursel at [spursel@lvc.edu](mailto:spursel@lvc.edu) or Lauren Nickey at [lnickey@lvc.edu](mailto:lnickey@lvc.edu).

This is a once in a lifetime opportunity, so take advantage of it!

## Study Abroad photo contest

Have you studied off-campus with LVC? It's time to pull out your photo albums and boxes for the 5th annual Study Abroad Photo contest. Any current full-time LVC student who participated in an off-campus program may submit up to four photos that highlight their study off-campus experience. Prospective students and parents will judge all submitted photos during the LVC Live Open House in Lynch Gym between 11a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 3. Photos will be awarded in the following categories:

(1) Most Scenic, (2) Most Abstract, (3) Most Amusing and (4) Viewer's Choice. Entries can win for more than one category.

### OFFICIAL PHOTO CONTEST RULES:

- (1) Contest is open to current full-time students who participated in an LVC off-campus program.
- (2) All photos for the contest must be received in Humanities 206 by 4 p.m. on Monday, March 29.
- (3) Each entry must include name, e-mail or telephone number, and a description of photo location. Color prints should be enclosed in an envelope with the identification information printed on the outside of the envelope.
- (4) No more than four photos per person may be submitted.
- (5) The winner of each category will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate to the restaurant or store of his/her choice within Lebanon County.
- (6) Winners will be notified by e-mail or telephone no later than April 9. Winner's names will also be posted in *La Vie*.
- (7) All entries may be used for Study Abroad promotional events at any time.
- (8) By accepting a prize, winner grants to the LVC Study Abroad Office the right to use his/her name and likeness for any advertising, promotion or any other purpose without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law.



# Former personal counsel to President Nixon featured in lecture in 1980

This week's historical articles were printed on March 14 and 28, 1980, respectively. The articles highlight the visit of former Nixon aide John Dean to the campus.

Dean shared his recollections of Watergate with the students and discussed the nature of ambition. The

Watergate scandal rocked the country in the early 70s and made a strong impact on the government and the media. Woodward and Bernstein, the two Washington Post reporters who gained national fame for their reporting of the Watergate story, helped to revive investigative journalism with their relentless pursuit of the complicated, multi-faceted story. Read on for more information on Dean's background as well as his reflections about his personal struggle during Watergate.

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**Watergate Figure to Speak on March 20**

**John Dean Featured in Student Council Lecture**

Former personal counsel to Pres. Nixon and Watergate figure, John Dean, will speak in Miller Chapel on Thursday, March 20, at 8 p.m. The lecture is sponsored by Student Council.

President Nixon fired Dean on April 30, 1973 as Sam Irvin's committee moved toward unraveling the events surrounding the Watergate break-in and subsequent cover-up.

Dean, known among the White House inner circle for his absolute loyalty to Nixon, meticulously delineated those events day after day before the live cameras of national television. His cool, machine-like presentation convinced a nation that a President was guilty. John Dean was praised in some quarters as a sinner who had seen the light and in others as a Judas-like betrayer of friends. He later served time in prison.

As Dean says of himself, "I was blinded by my own ambition. I knew what my supervisors wanted and I did what I could to please them." He has seen forces within the White House as few people have. His point of view of the presidency is unique in a year when an election to that office will be held.

The topic of Dean's address is "Blind Ambition," which is also the title of his Watergate book. Dean will discuss, however, the larger questions of what happens when a young person is caught up in his own ambitions and in the expectations of loyalty found in most businesses and

governmental agencies today.

**John Dean Discusses Watergate Causes**  
By Ann Stambach

On Monday, March 24, John Dean, former Counsel to Pres. Nixon, spoke in Miller Chapel in the final lecture of a series sponsored by the Academic Committee of Student Council.

The obvious issue addressed by Dean concerned Watergate and, especially, its causes. He then analyzed each of these factors to see if they could once again emerge with Watergate recurring. The lecture was then followed by a brief question and answer period.

Mr. Dean conveyed the idea that one cannot look only at the men involved and condemn them as evil; tradition, public attitudes, and tricks of bureaucracy also play a vital role in history. Many of these factors may still be around today; however, Dean emphasized that as long as people are interested in learning what really happened, it will be a long time before Watergate will recur.

If you have any opinions you wish to express on this lecture or any of the other lectures presented by Student Council, see Liz Steele or Mike Buterbaugh.

**Letter to the Editors**

In response to the February 27, 2004 issue:

Yes, the number of cars registered does seem impressive. It's important to note that most if not all staff and faculty have multiple cars registered since they drive different ones from time to time. In my area alone, each staff member has at least two cars registered and some have three cars registered. So the total number is not an accurate number of the actual cars on campus at one time. Just a thought. Thanks.

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**Next Colloquium film to be shown after spring break**

Information courtesy of College Relations

The silent film classic *Metropolis* from director Fritz Lang is a cutting commentary on the Industrial Age and class polarization, shown through haunting, dreamlike visuals. A restored version of the 77-year-old German film will be shown on Sunday, March 21 at 1:30 p.m. in the Allen Theatre as part of Lebanon Valley College's "Science & Public Policy" Colloquium film series. After the screening, Dr. Jeff Ritchie, an assistant professor of English and digital communications at the College, will lead a discussion on the film in the adjacent MJ's Coffeehouse. The cost for the film is \$1 for students and \$3 for the general public. Admission is free for LVC students.

Organ accompaniment will be provided. *Metropolis*, a groundbreaking film in its day, set the stage for future films such as *King Kong*, *Dr. Strangelove* and *Blade Runner*. It features futuristic urban settings, mad scientists and soulless machines. A symbolic love affair between Freder (Gustav Frohlich), the privileged governor's son, who built the city of Metropolis, and the lower-class angel Maria (Brigitte Helm), symbolizes the union between rich and poor, owner



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and worker. Although it appears to offer a coherent plot, the film plays more like a dream than a story. A work of German expressionism, the narrative is based on emotion rather than logic. The over-the-top acting isn't meant to be realistic; instead, it represents pure imagination and feeling brought to life without constraints.

Lang's original 153-minute version has been re-edited throughout the years. Much of the original material is lost forever. The Friederich Wilhelm Murnau Foundation has digitally restored the film to 122 minutes, bringing back the clarity and context of the 1927 original.



**LVC's Scores  
Last Week****Men's Basketball:**

2/25 vs. Widener\* L, 63-54  
Record: 14-12  
Conference: 8-6

**Women's Basketball:**

2/25 vs. Moravian\* L, 57-52  
Record: 20-5  
Conference: 10-4

\* = Commonwealth  
Conference semi-final

**Ice Hockey:**

2/28 vs. Suffolk\*\* W, 4-2  
Record: 18-7  
Conference: 15-2

\*\* = ECAC NE quarter-final

**Indoor track:**

2/28 vs. MAC Championships  
Men: 25 points  
7th of 9  
Women: 20 points  
8th of 10

**Ice hockey blows by Suffolk, set for Wentworth**

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team. The Dutchmen would get a cushion just over seven minutes into the period when Eberenz fought off two defenders in front of the Suffolk goal and fired a wrist shot past Rams netminder Greg Blais to put LVC up two.

But Suffolk would continue to battle. The Rams registered 14 shots in the final period, but LVC goaltender Joe Burley was nothing short of spectacular between the pipes for the Dutchmen. With 4:09 to play in the game Suffolk got their best chance to score when Lebanon Valley took two penalties within 28 seconds of one another to give Suffolk a 5-on-3 powerplay. The Rams would get numerous scoring



*Photo courtesy of Sports Information*  
**Sophomore netminder Joe Burley stopped every shot he faced in two periods of relief work as his team won 4-2 over Suffolk**

opportunities on the powerplay, but Burley stood his ground making save after save with and without his goal stick. What made Burley's final tally of 21

saves even more impressive was the fact that he didn't even start the game. Burley came on in relief of starter Sonny Holding at the start of the second period after a lackluster opening period.

Suffolk continued to press, pulling their goaltender with just over a minute to play, but the Dutchmen continued to stand strong, denying every attempt Suffolk could muster. When the final horn sounded, the Dutchmen escaped with a 4-2 win and a one way ticket for Saturday's ECAC Northeast semifinals at Matthews Arena in Boston.

Saturday's game looks to be another barnburner, as the Dutchmen will take on heated conference rival Wentworth

Institute of Technology for what could be the final time ever. Lebanon Valley and Wentworth have met the last three years in a row in the conference finals and may be playing for the final time this week as the Dutchmen will be moving the ECAC West at the close of this season.

**The Playoff System**

In prior years, the ECAC Northeast playoffs had the higher seed host each playoff matchup. This year, they have changed to a neutral-ice venue (Matthews Arena in Boston) for the semifinals and finals.

The final four teams will play there this Saturday and Sunday.

**Youth key to baseball's 2004 season**

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finished the year with a 2.84 ERA.

Evans also expects the bullpen to be one of the Dutchmen's strong points this year with sophomore Brian MacFarlane and freshman Joe Raws expected to share a majority of the relief duties this season. MacFarlane, a left-hander, enjoyed a solid 2003 season at LVC appearing in four games going 1-0 with a 2.08 ERA. Raws will provide the Dutchmen with a right-handed arm out of the bullpen.

The Dutchmen's most senior position this year will be the outfield, which is led by senior tri-captain Jeff Greiger. Greiger, who will start in centerfield once again this year, is coming off a phenomenal junior season in which he was third on the team in batting average hitting .393. In right field junior tri-captain Ron Weaver will provide the Dutchmen with solid defense in the outfield as he led the team in outfield assists last year with three, while committing only one error the entire season. In leftfield senior Casey Long and freshman Jared Smith will battle for playing time.

In the infield the Dutchmen return only two starters from last

year's team. The only sure thing is third base, where junior Craig Denlinger where start. Last season Denlinger played primarily at shortstop in his 14 games. At shortstop sophomore Alex Morrison and freshman Dan Kelly will look get the starting nod, but so far neither managed to gain the upper hand on the other. At second base Scott Montgomery and Buddy Rill will vie for time. Montgomery, who according to

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**—Coach Keith Evans**

Evans is the team's fastest player, led the Dutchmen last year with five stolen bases, but has been hampered this year by a knee injury suffered during soccer season. Evans says he expects Montgomery to be ready by opening day.

First base will be a question mark. Evans says that there are currently four players working to get time there, but there is no clear starter as of now. Whoever does win the job will have some big shoes to fill, as the team's previous

first baseman, Mark Shauren, hit .400 last season and was charged with no errors in the field.

The most difficult position for anyone to fill will be catcher. In the previous four years the job had belonged to Tim Rink, who was regarded as one of the best backstops in the Commonwealth Conference. In fact Rink's vacated spot may be so hard to fill that Evans is currently toying with the idea of a three catcher rotation, with each one playing one out of every three games.

Evans has made it his duty to see that the 2004 edition of the LVC baseball team is defensively sound. "We're going to have to win a lot of 3-2 ball games at the start of the season," said Evans adding, "Until our freshman get used to hitting at the college level."

One thing that may be on the Dutchmen's side when they open the regular season on March 17 against York College, will be the lowered expectations from the rest of the league. "Teams will see that we lost some of our best players and have a new coach and take us lightly," Evans said. Regardless of the expectations, Evans still expects the most out of his "young but experienced" team.

**The Valley Tally:  
B-ball makes ECACs****Men's and women's basketball set for ECACs**

Both the men's and women's basketball teams received bids Monday to play in the ECAC Southern basketball tournament. The women's team are defending champions, having won the tournament last year at Moravian. This season, they are the second seed and will have hosted a playoff game Wednesday night against Westminster College.

The men's team qualified as the sixth seed and played at Ursinus Wednesday night. It is their first appearance in the tournament since 2002, when they lost to F&M in the semifinals. LVC won the title in 2000 and 1998. If either team wins, they will play Saturday at the highest remaining seed.

**Athletes of the Week**

Sophomore goalie **Joe Burley** stopped all 21 shots he faced in two periods of play in ice hockey's 4-2 play-off win over Suffolk Saturday. They advance to the semifinals Saturday against Wentworth.

*Photos courtesy of Sports Information*



Senior **Amy Wagner** finished second in the pole vault at MAC Indoor Track Championships, clearing 10 feet to tie her school record. Wagner finished tied for first but came in second due to more misses.

**Don't miss La Vie's full  
Spring Sports Preview after  
spring break!**



## Indoor track wraps up at MAC Championships

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Both the men's and women's track and field teams concluded their indoor season at the MAC indoor championships, held at Susquehanna University last Saturday.

LVC sent 22 athletes to the meet, and recorded 11 top-six finishes. The men finished seventh out of nine teams with a total of 25 points, while the women placed eighth out of ten teams with 20 points.



Photo courtesy of Lisa Landis  
**Senior Amy Wagner takes to the awards stand after earning silver.**

Of those 11 top-six places, five were medal winners, and four tied or broke LVC indoor records. Freshman Alan Newsome took home both a silver and a bronze medal in the 200 meter dash and 55 meter dash, respectively. Newsome raced to a 6.66 second clocking in the 55 finals, and lowered his own school record in the 200 for the second time in two weeks, crossing the tape in 23.12 seconds.

In the 55 hurdles, juniors Jordan Newell and Matt Hauk qualified for the finals, where Hauk placed fifth in 8.43 seconds and Newell finished sixth in 10.14 seconds. Newell earned a bronze medal in the high jump by clearing 6-4.

Sophomore Jimmy Buckson cleared 14 feet in the pole vault, his best of the season, tying for first but taking fifth place due to misses.

On the women's side, sophomore LaToya Stewart cleared 5-2 in the high jump, tying 12-year-old school record and taking home the silver, and bested the school record she set last week with a 10.40 meter (34-1 1/2) jump, good for sixth place. She also anchored the women's 4x200 meter relay, led by sophomores Kelly Hilkert and Bonnie Susan and freshman Jamie Reynolds, which placed fifth with a season-best 1:54.46.

Hilkert claimed fifth in the 400 meter dash, lowering her season-best time to 1:02.18, while senior Amy Wagner won silver in the pole vault, tying for second at ten feet even and tying her own school record and the MAC indoor championship meet record.

The Dutchmen now turn their sights on the outdoor season, which begins March 20 at DeSales University.

## Baseball hopes for a big 2004 from a young squad

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"We're young, but we're experienced." This statement could have easily come from the mind of baseball legend Yogi Berra, who is attributed with dropping more than a few unusual quotes in his day. But this one belongs LVC's first year head baseball coach Keith Evans, who stated this could be Yogism to describe the baseball

team that will take the field this year for Lebanon Valley.

However, unlike many of Berra's numerous quotes, this one actually makes sense when the speaker explains it. Evans went on to say, "Many of our sophomores have seen a fair share of action at the collegiate level." In other words, this team, with only three seniors this year, really is young and experienced, — not to mention talented too.

One major strength for the

## Icers come back for 4-2 playoff win over Suffolk

Advance to ECAC NE semis for fourth straight year



Photo courtesy of Sports Information  
**Senior Matt Fishbone, who assisted on the game-tying goal Saturday. Fishbone played against his brother Drew, a freshman for Suffolk**

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It took one of the worst periods that LVC had all year to inspire them to play two of their best periods of hockey all season. After falling behind 2-0 in the first period and only registering four shots on goal, the Dutchmen made more than a few adjustments to help them advance to the ECAC Northeast Semifinal round.

In a game where the Dutchmen came out looking as if they were going to steam roll Suffolk University, hitting a post 20 seconds into the game and nearly capitalizing on a powerplay just over a minute into the game

things got bad quick. Just 35 seconds after Lebanon Valley's powerplay ended Suffolk managed to get the first goal of the game on their very first shot, taking the wind out of the Dutchmen's sails in the process.

Over the final 17 minutes of the period, Suffolk went on to outshoot the Dutchmen 12-4 for the rest of the period and even managed to go ahead 2-0 on a goal with 43 seconds remaining in the period.

Heading into the first intermission it seemed as if the Dutchmen were preparing to play the final two periods of their season after nothing went their way in the opening stanza, including two shots off the posts and two shots that went just wide of a

gaping net. But in the second period missed nets and hit posts turned into precision execution and three goals, the first of which came just 2:58 into the period as Andrew Rummel deflected Scott Eberenz's centering feed into the back of the net to make it a 2-1 game. Lebanon Valley continued to press Suffolk and would tie things up just four minutes later as Jeffrey Smith redirected Matt Fishbone's shot from the point just as an LVC powerplay expired to tie the game at two apiece.

Not only did the Dutchmen storm back to tie the game within six and a half minutes of the period, they didn't allow Suffolk to register one shot on goal in that entire time span. The rest of the period continued to be dominated by Lebanon Valley, but the Dutchmen just couldn't break the tie. That is until Jason Slusher intercepted a clearing attempt at the Suffolk blueline, walked in and let a sharp wrist shot go from between the face-off circles and put the Dutchmen up 3-2 with just 31 seconds left in the period.

With momentum clearly on their side the Dutchmen came out firing on all cylinders once again in the third period to try and fend off a desperate Suffolk team. The Dutchmen would get a

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## Speaker shares love of Argentina, international market

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A love affair with Argentina was the theme of Christine Couturier's lecture on Tuesday, March 2, in Leedy Theatre. The lecture was the latest installment of the Springer Lecture series. Couturier gave a chronological account of her business career, which has spanned all over the world and taught her a number of lessons.

The audience was clued in to these lessons throughout the presentation by an accompanying PowerPoint presentation. The messages ranged from simple lessons like, "It's a small, small world" to "Murphy's law applies to business supplies" to "add a dose of improvisation to your best-laid plans." Each illustrated the continuing education Couturier has received through her diverse career.

Couturier said that her love for Argentina began when she was nine months old, when her parents moved to Argentina to do missionary work. After spending a great deal of her childhood there before returning to America, she vowed to return one day.

She would eventually get back to Argentina, but not before her career took her to a few other stops along the way. She graduated from Lebanon Valley College with a B.A. in foreign languages, and then went straight into teaching. She quickly decided she wasn't on the right career path.

Her experiences working at Kelly Services, a business-related summer job she held during her time at LVC convinced her that she should pursue a career in business. She attended Thunderbird, The American Graduate School of International Management, and then proceeded to store up a vast array of occupational experiences.

She started out her business career as the regional marketing manager in Latin America and the Caribbean for Hershey Foods Corp. She highlighted one trip to Hershey's Colombian production factory in which she was accosted by police dogs sniffing for drugs - all they found were candy samples.

From Hershey she went on to become the Latin American director of marketing for McDonald's Corp. and learned the difficulties inherent in dealing with stubborn

governmental leaders. She did, however, get to work closely with Ronald McDonald while orchestrating several black-tie openings, complete with champagne.

After a few other stops along the way, she finally got back to Argentina. As vice president and general manager of The Marketing Store Worldwide, she was able to work in Buenos Aires on challenging projects for the Marketing Store's clients.

She showed a film detailing one such client, in which she had to design and orchestrate the unveiling of the new VW Beetles in Buenos Aires. The video showed the public relations issues and the strategic hurdles she had to deal with in order to fulfill her client's guidelines.

Finally, after accomplishing her goal of returning to Argentina, she is following her husband to Canada. She's realized that "some things can happen twice in a lifetime" and that even five languages don't prepare you to speak Canadian.

Couturier has traveled all over the world experiencing a myriad of cultures



Photo courtesy of College Relations

Christine Couturier spoke recently at LVC.

and her enthusiasm reveals how great of a time she has had. She ended her presentation with just one more lesson: "If you approach life, love [and] livelihood ... with an authentic search for knowledge, then in fact, all the world's your stage."

Editor's note: Couturier has no relation to the author.

## Art gallery exhibits Illuminated Manuscripts exhibit

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From Feb. 27 through April 11, the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery will be hosting an exhibit titled "Illuminated Treasures: Medieval and Renaissance Manuscripts from Pennsylvania Collections." This exhibit features richly-illustrated manuscripts from the 15th and 16th centuries.

The manuscripts from this exhibit are almost all religious manuscripts, crafted by monks during the early Middle Ages. The manuscripts are brilliantly decorated, with their colors accented by the blue-painted walls in the exhibit. Each piece has a detailed written description of its history and background posted nearby. Dates, location and translations are helpful when viewing these pieces. Knowledge of the creation process is also

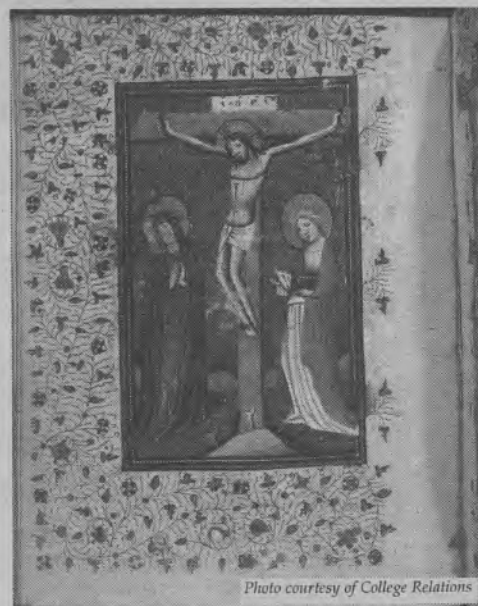


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One of the manuscripts on display.

helpful to fully understand and appreciate each piece.

The preparation process was so time-consuming that it is easy to see why only the religious and socially elite had

access to most books during this time. Pages of manuscript were made of parchment or vellum, the skin of sheep or calves. After an extensive process taken to prepare the skin, ink was prepared from a variety of substances. Carbon, animal materials, vegetables and minerals were used in the colored pigments, which give the manuscripts their fierce highlights.

Gold is also frequently seen in these manuscripts. The application of this precious metal was also a time-consuming process. Gold was either ground in a fine powder and then mixed into paint, or it was brushed on over a clear, adhesive paint.

This extensive process was used to illuminate particular letters, provide a colorful border or illustrate a scene in the text. Many of the texts included in this collection are pages of books of hours. The writings in these books of

hours vary, but most books of hours were created for private devotion for nobility. The primary text in the book of hours was the *Office of the Virgin*, and then each book was customized for its particular purpose and consumer. Often, a liturgical calendar, Commendations of Souls and Penitential Psalms are included.

This collection of illuminated manuscripts is a fine example of the work produced during this time. The informative notes help pay homage to the talented scribes, artists and illuminators who labored over these beautiful manuscripts.

Writer's note: Information for this article was obtained from the program provided by the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery, written by Crista A. Detweiler, and the actual art gallery.

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## Highlights of recent local, national and international news stories

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**Local religious leader dies**

Bishop Nicholas Datillo, leader of the Roman Catholic Diocese in Harrisburg, died on Friday, March 5, at Holy Spirit Hospital in Camp Hill.

Datillo, who was battling a series of health problems, was 71 years old. According to *The Patriot-News*, Cardinal William Keeler of Baltimore, Datillo's predecessor, said the deceased bishop "brought a great priestly heart to love the people he served so generously, a deep faith in God and in the ways of God's providence and a warm and wonderful sense of humor."

Datillo became bishop of Harrisburg in 1989 and, like many other bishops around the country in the coming decade, he began merging parishes together because of population shifts and priest shortages. Even before the wave of sex abuse scandals that shook the Catholic Church in 2001, Datillo had already issued a zero-tolerance policy and urged victims to speak out in 1994.

Public viewings and prayer services took place earlier in the week at the Cardinal Keeler Center in Union Deposit and at the Good Shepherd Church in Camp Hill. The funeral mass was held on Friday, March 12.

**Stewart and ex-broker found guilty**

On Friday, March 5, a New York jury found Martha Stewart guilty on all four counts of obstruction of justice and for lying to the government about her sale of ImClone Systems Inc. stock in December of 2001. Stewart's ex-stock broker, Peter Bacanovic, was convicted of four of the five charges against him. Both will likely face up to five years in prison and be fined \$250,000 for each count against them. Their sentencing is scheduled for June 17.

According to prosecutors in the case, Stewart sold her shares of ImClone stock

after receiving a tip from Bacanovic that said ImClone's founder, Sam Waksal, was going to sell. Right after Stewart sold her shares, the ImClone stock fell on Dec. 27, 2001, because regulators at the time did not approve the company's new cancer-fighting drug. Both Stewart and Bacanovic told investigators that they had planned to sell the stock once it reached \$60.

**Water taxi accident claims five lives:** A squall is being blamed for the deaths of five people in last weekend's water taxi accident in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. As of Tuesday, March 9, four people remained hospitalized. According to CNN, around 4:15 p.m. on Saturday, March 6, a fast-moving wind squall caused the water taxi to suddenly flip over as it was getting ready to dock.

The Baltimore Fire Department and nearby Navy Reservists responded to the scene immediately after the accident occurred. They were able to pull from the water 22 out of the 25 people who were on board the taxi when it capsized. Among those rescued were two people who have since died; the bodies of three other victims have been located and recovered. According to officials, at the time of the accident, the water temperature was 46 degrees, which is cold enough to cause hypothermia.

Mel Gibson's new film, *The Passion of the Christ*, has remained No. 1 at the box office. According to E! Online, early figures on Sunday, March 7, showed that the film earned about \$51.3 million over the weekend. Since its debut in theaters on Ash Wednesday, the two-hour look at the final hours of Jesus Christ's life has made over \$200 million.

Coming in second at the box office was the remake of the 1970s television show, *Starsky and Hutch*, which made \$29 million. Also opening in theaters that weekend was *Hidalgo*, the story of a desert horse race.

**New PM plans to restore order in Haiti**

Gerard Latortue, Haiti's new prime minister who was chosen by a U.S.-backed commission, plans to restore order to the island nation. Latortue said his first order of business would be to reinstate Haiti's military after the recently-exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide had it dissolved in 1995. Aristide had turned the military into a civilian police force. In February, a violent uprising caused the resignation of the president. Currently, over a thousand U.S. Marines are in Haiti helping to restore order. Latortue is urging rebels, who forced Aristide out of office, to turn over their weapons.

Aristide, now an exile living in the Central African Republic, says that the United States convinced him to resign. Officials in Washington have denied this allegation. Latortue believes Aristide is nothing but a liar. Brian Concannon, Aristide's lawyer, says his client plans to file complaints against U.S. and French authorities for pressuring him to leave.

On Monday, Aristide arrived in Jamaica. Haiti's new prime minister suspended diplomatic ties with Jamaica in protest.

The writer used [www.pennlive.com](http://www.pennlive.com), [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) and [www.eonline.com](http://www.eonline.com) as sources.



Photo courtesy of Annalouise Venturella

**Bishop Nicholas Datillo, who died on March 5, 2004, became leader of the Diocese of Harrisburg in 1990.**



Photo by Annalouise Venturella

**The Passion of the Christ, shown here at the Allen Theater, remains number one at the box office. So far, the film has brought in over \$200 million since its opening in February.**

**The Passion tops the box office**

For the second straight week in row,



## Around the world in 300 words

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**Convictions handed down in sniper cases:** On Tuesday, March 9, John Allen Muhammed was sentenced to death in Virginia in connection with the fall 2002 sniper shootings. His accomplice, 19-year-old Lee Boyd Malvo, was sentenced to life in prison without parole the following day. Ten people were killed and three wounded in the Washington-area attacks.

**Teacher suspended for showing Passion:** Sixth-grade teacher Ronald Anthony was placed on paid leave last week after he was accused of showing his students parts of *The Passion of the Christ*. About 16 students are believed to have seen the R-rated film, which has not yet been released on video. A note sent home to parents said Anthony believed he was connecting historical events from the students' social studies lesson.

**A crooked, lying group of people:** Senator John Kerry was caught on microphone last Tuesday using those exact words to refer to the Republicans he is battling. A Bush campaign

spokesman complained later that Kerry was not following his own promise to run a clean campaign. The remarks were made following Kerry's speech to the AFL-CIO by satellite.

**Treatment for life's biggest vices:** A new pill that has the potential to help people stop smoking and lose weight is in its final stages of testing and could be ready for public use in a year or two. Doctors say the pills should not substitute for a change in lifestyle, but may give a boost to those who lack willpower. Smoking and obesity are responsible for the deaths of more than 800,000 Americans every year.

**Take me out to the ball game:** Last week, Senator John McCain threatened Major League Baseball with Congressional legislation if it does not come up with a comprehensive drug testing plan. McCain would like to see baseball accept the more comprehensive plan found in the NFL, which union chief Donald Fehr has rejected. Several Senators have argued that the current policy, which does not impose one-year suspensions until the fifth offense, is inadequate.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

## ATTENTION ALL ORGANIZATION LEADERS!

Hundreds of accepted students will be visiting campus for LVC Live on April 3, and it is an excellent opportunity to show what your organization is all about. If you are interested in having a representative of your club at a table, contact Erin Sanno at [sanno@lvc.edu](mailto:sanno@lvc.edu) or ext. 6181 as soon as possible. Don't miss this chance for new members!

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## The Passion of the Christ: a second view

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The Passion: **spiritually-challenging, but approach with caution**

United States, 2004

U.S. Release Date: 2/25/04 (wide)

Running Time: 2:07

Rated: R (Graphic violence)

Cast: James Caviezel, Maia Morgenstern, Monica Bellucci, Hristo Jivkova, Hristo Naumov, Shopov, Mattia Sbragia

Director: Mel Gibson

Producers: Mel Gibson, Bruce Davey, Stephen McEveety

Screenplay: Benedict Fitzgerald and Mel Gibson

Music: John Debney

Studio: Newmarket Film Group

In Aramaic and Latin with English subtitles

After you experience *The Passion* for the first time, you don't want to speak – no one does. When the credits roll, you walk out of the movie theater in dead silence, along with every other person who helped packed the house. Everyone needs time to themselves to reflect, let the film sink in and decipher on their own whether or not they appreciate the picture. At this point, each person is sure to have either one of these two opinions, or a combination of the two, of the film: One, you will be emotionally disturbed and shocked by the film's persistent and unrelenting level of violence towards the Christian Savior, and/or, two, you will be emotionally moved and inspired by the glorious, essential suffering and sacrifice of the Son of Man. The reactions are mixed, but there are a few more in the latter category than in the former, and I can, without a doubt, say that I am included in that slight majority of those who were touched.

Nearly a decade ago, Mel Gibson decided that he wanted to create a film about the last twelve hours of Jesus' life – more commonly known as the Passion. His goal was to depict an image of Jesus' intense suffering that would surely leave a permanent impression in both the minds and hearts of the viewers. What he did was create a picture that is capable of uplifting many, while also capable of depressing and disgusting others. Some are displeased with Gibson's efforts, due to its NC-17-esque gore and persistent torture of Jesus the Nazarene and due to its elements of anti-Semitism, which some claim to be present.

To tell you the truth, I am absolutely sick of hearing all of this talk of Anti-

Semitism associated with this film. The thought of anti-Semitism being displayed in this film is absolutely absurd, because it simply is not present. The Jews sentencing Jesus to his death is a historical fact, which the picture depicts accurately and without prejudice. However, the Jews did not kill Jesus; Jesus was killed, in accordance with Christian belief, by each and every one of us – the same people he so willingly died for. It was our (humankind's) sins that led God to allow the Romans and the Jews to fulfill His pre-destined plans for His Son. Holding a prejudice against all Jews for killing Jesus is no different than holding a prejudice against all Germans for killing the Jews – both are preposterous, unethical, and go against the exact values that the Christian religion holds dear.

As for the film's graphic violence, I believe that every lash of the whip, every cry of pain and every one of the thousands of criss-crossing rivulets of blood were undoubtedly needed in this picture. The violence may be a little overboard and repulsive for some (especially young children), but then again if Gibson didn't hit us hard with the message, it may have not hit home.

*The Passion of the Christ* is by no means an enjoyable or fun motion picture to sit through, but rather a graphic yet inspirational film that will stay with you for a lifetime. Gibson's film may be too visceral for the faint of heart; however, keep in mind that no one is going to see this film for its violence or for its anti-fun factor, but rather its moving message.

This monumental motion picture of the greatest story ever told is by far the best depiction of the final hours of Christ to ever grace the eyes of many, and even if Christ doesn't suit you as your savior, this film is nothing short of amazing from its opening scene in the garden of Gethsemane, to the closing, glorified resurrected image of Jesus in the tomb.

*The Passion* will continue to earn its title of the most controversial film to date, and at the same time, it will continue to result in mixed emotions – for me, the impact was grand and could not have been any more emotionally gratifying.

One must be in the right state of mind to embark on experiencing this film; there are many scenes that can bring about much emotion, causing sniffing and sobbing throughout the theater. *The Passion's* effects both ensure that one will never look at a crucifix in the same way again and bring a whole new depth to the phrase, "He suffered, died, and was buried." (\*\*1/2 out of \*\*\*)

## Study Abroad photo contest

Have you studied off-campus with LVC? It's time to pull out your photo albums and boxes for the 5th annual Study Abroad Photo contest. Any current full-time LVC student who participated in an off-campus program may submit up to four photos that highlight their study off-campus experience. Prospective students and parents will judge all submitted photos during the LVC Live Open House in Lynch Gym between 11a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 3. Photos will be awarded in the following categories:

(1) Most Scenic, (2) Most Abstract, (3) Most Amusing and (4) Viewer's Choice. Entries can win for more than one category.

### OFFICIAL PHOTO CONTEST RULES:

- (1) Contest is open to current full-time students who participated in an LVC off-campus program.
- (2) All photos for the contest must be received in Humanities 206 by 4 p.m. on Monday, March 29.
- (3) Each entry must include name, e-mail or telephone number, and a description of photo location. Color prints should be enclosed in an envelope with the identification information printed on the outside of the envelope.
- (4) No more than four photos per person may be submitted.
- (5) The winner of each category will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate to the restaurant or store of his/her choice within Lebanon County.
- (6) Winners will be notified by e-mail or telephone no later than April 9. Winner's names will also be posted in *La Vie*.
- (7) All entries may be used for Study Abroad promotional events at any time.
- (8) By accepting a prize, winner grants to the LVC Study Abroad Office the right to use his/her name and likeness for any advertising, promotion or any other purpose without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law.



Photo by Annalouise Venturella

The crocuses, having only just begun to emerge a few days ago, now sit under a thin blanket of snow due to a winter storm on Tuesday.

## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Monday, March 8, a coat rack was damaged in the Arnold Sports Center. Damage was valued at \$50.



## Matchstick Men: a review

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Writer's note: Matchstick Men was released on DVD and VHS Tuesday, Feb. 24.

Director Ridley Scott, who is mostly known for his action-packed, thrill-seeking motion pictures like *Gladiator*, *Blade Runner* and *Alien*, has ventured into uncharted territory with his latest production. While *Matchstick Men* may be a far-cry from the likes of Maximus, Rick Deckard, and Ripley, the British-born Scott shows off his vast versatility by creating this comedic caper film that has a fun and fairy-tale feel.

Roy Waller (Nicholas Cage) is an OCD sufferer (similar in routine to Nicholson's role as Melvin in *As Good As It Gets*) who is, at the same time, a professional con-artist (perhaps, the very best there is). Roy and his partner in crime, Frank Mercer (Sam Rockwell), are both in the planning stages of trying to pull off a lucrative, but extremely high-risk con, when a problem arises. The 14-year-old daughter Roy never knew he had, suddenly strolls into his life and learns of his illegal occupation. Now Roy must live two separate lifestyles: one good - that being a loving attempt of a father to his teenage daughter, Angela (Alison Lohman) - and one bad - still being the matchstick man (a.k.a. con man) on the prowl to "earn" his next buck from his next unsuspecting victim. Roy must make the distinction between his two different styles of living and also weigh out his options of whether or not to allow his newly-acquired offspring to join in on his next big scam.

Cage puts out yet another off-the-wall character, directly following his wondrous performance as both Charlie and Donald Kauffman in *Adaptation*. Here, Cage's performance as Roy, the spick-and-span con man, is played with such stimulating precision. Cage freely entertains with all of his long and uncomfortable-sounding "uhh...?"s, his high-pitched staccato "woo"s, and both his random outbursts of frustration and repetitious shouts of "pigmies." His portrayal as the compulsive criminal, who is also attempting to be a loving father, is absolutely flawless; his jumpy reflexes and compulsions, along with his quirky facial tics, combine to make his extreme talent as an actor obvious and make for a performance that is

beyond enjoyable to watch.

When Roy's pills run out, his OCD cleaning fixations are greatly demonstrated - just think Danny Tanner on speed. Roy has an insanely-organized, pantry-sized room stuffed with cleaning products. He becomes paranoid at the mere thought of shoes on his clean carpet. And with any tiny detection of spores, germs or crumbs, Roy goes off into a neat-freak, cleaning frenzy.

Alongside Cage is the fresh and gorgeous face of Alison Lohman. Following up her recent role in the mediocre *White Oleander*, Lohman plays Roy's instantly likeable, smart and funny 14-year-old daughter, Angela. The fact that, during the time of filming this picture, Alison was a 22-year-old actress, who, without a doubt, easily pulled off the role as an eighth-grader, proves that she will definitely go far in the acting world. If it were up to me, I would have definitely placed Lohman onto the sparse list of supporting actresses who were nominated for the Feb. 29 Oscars.

All in all, this film works wonderfully as a whole, even down to the overly extensive screen time given to cigarettes; throughout the film, there are so many scenes of just a character simply smoking and puffing away on the cancer-causing, nicotine-filled, tobacco-rolled papers. It really makes one wonder why Roy, the neat freak, is so careless with his own personal hygiene in keeping his lungs free from tar, but yet will spend hours cleaning his LA house with a soft-bristled toothbrush.

If there comes a point in the film when you think the picture may have taken a turn for the worse and are wondering how it is going to end, I can assure you that the uncomfortable twist the film takes, twists into a beautiful and perfect ending. And in the end, it will leave you more than satisfied with the three main characters' perfect performances, the clever plot and the intelligent and, at times, witty dialogue.

*Matchstick Men* is a consummate collaboration that can be placed alongside *The Sting* on the top shelf of the caper-plotted bookcase of motion-pictures, and with that being said, I don't believe a more generous compliment can be given. (\*\*1/2 out of \*\*\*)

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## Thoughts from the editors

Welcome back from spring break! Whether you traveled to a beach, other vacation destination or simply enjoyed a week at home and off campus, we hope you had a fun and relaxing time!

This week's issue will catch you up on school events and current events from just before the break as well as some interesting events that happened in the area, nation and world while we were gone. Keep your eye on the media of your choice in the next few weeks as situations heat up in Haiti, Europe and here on the home front as we continue through the 2004 election season.

*The Passion of the Christ* is still getting plenty of attention around the country as well. We've provided a second review of the movie, still playing at the Allen

Theatre. If you've had a chance to see it, let us know what you think by e-mailing us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com).

Also, the front page article on the art show provides an in-depth look at the exhibit which opened in the gallery on Feb. 27 and will be showing until April 11. If you'd like to check it out for yourself, the gallery is open Wednesdays from 5-8 p.m., Thursdays and Fridays from 1-4:30 p.m., and Saturdays from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Be sure to check out the spring sports preview, which provides a short summary of each sport's outlook for the season. If you can, try to get out to support the teams.

The countdown is on: just eight weeks left in the semester and 27 days of class. The end is near!



## How the Dutchmen became NCAA Division III Champions

*This week's historical article marks the 10th anniversary of the Dutchmen's NCAA Division III men's basketball championship. On Saturday, March 19, 1994, LVC (28-4) went head to head with New York University (25-5), grabbing a 66-59 overtime victory. They had advanced to the title game by defeating Wittenberg 93-83 in overtime. Wittenberg coach Bill Brown attributed the Dutchmen victory and advancement to "faith and heart." The Dutchmen's victories in both the semi-final and final games were categorized by thrilling comeback triumphs. Below is an excerpt from a longer article chronicling those last two wins. Read on for details and quotes from the championship game.*

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By Greg Tobin

Lebanon Valley moved on to face New York University (25-5) in the championship game Saturday. NYU advanced by defeating the University of St. Thomas (24-7) 75-68. The Violets are lead by the

powerful inside game of senior center Jonathan Gabriel who shot 8-10 from the field with 17 points and grabbed 10 rebounds in their victory.

St. Thomas coach Steve Fritz said, "Their [NYU] physical aggressiveness took us out of the game." With Lebanon Valley noted as a physical team themselves, the championship game was an aggressive contest. "We don't change our game for anybody," noted Harper.

The Lebanon Valley Dutchmen captured their first ever NCAA Division III National Championship by defeating the New York University Violets 66-59 in overtime.

The Valley once again came out on the court ready to execute shown by an early 8-0 run which included baskets by Campbell, Say, Rhoades, and a slam dunk by Hofsass. The Dutchmen were ahead 15-7 at 11:26.

NYU's aggressive style got senior center Jonathan Gabriel in early foul trouble when he received his second personal foul at 10:30. He was sat down, not returning until the second half.

The Violets senior guard Adam



Center Scott Stephenson, guard Steve Zieber and forward John Harper, pictured with Mike Rhoades are the LVC team's three seniors.

Crawford cut the lead to three just before half on the lay-up. But the Dutchmen led 24-21 heading into the intermission thanks to Rhoades's nine points. Rhoades also ripped down six of his 10 rebounds in the half.

Lebanon Valley's defense held NYU to shoot a dismal 26 percent from the field in the first half.

The Valley started the second half the same way they did the first, on fire. The Dutchmen were down 27-30 at 16:38 when Rhoades connected on two free throws to start the run. John Harper scored two of his seven points on a driving lay-up at 14:56. After a pair of lay-ups by Hofsass and Campbell, the LVC lead grew to five. Hofsass finished the night with five points, Campbell with 10 points. Steve Zeiber stole the ball at 13:13 and burned the net for three of his seven points to cap a Dutchmen 13-2 win.

But the Violets were not to be denied as Crawford nailed a three point jumper to complete a NYU 11-2 run. This slimmed the lead to 42-41 at 9:12. Crawford finished the night [the] high scorer with 24 points, 16 in the second half, and high rebounder with 12 boards.

Lebanon Valley, down two, with two seconds remaining on the clock, and the ball out underneath their basket, called timeout. After a Rhoades and Harper miss, Say tipped in the ball to send the championship game into overtime and the LVC fans into orbit.

This was the first time in NCAA Division tournament history that two final four games were decided in overtime.

New York University started the overtime period with four quick points. But at 3:22, Rhoades hit a right corner jumper to start yet another Dutchmen rally. Steve Zeiber drilled a three point jumper at 1:48 to put Lebanon Valley ahead for good. What amounted to an 11-0 run sealed the game and brought the championship crown home to the members of the 1994 Lebanon Valley College men's basketball team.

Lebanon Valley ranked No. 2 in the nation in field goal percentage allowed, holding opponents to 37.3 percent. The Dutchmen held NYU to 35.5 percent from the field. LVC shot 44.9 percent.

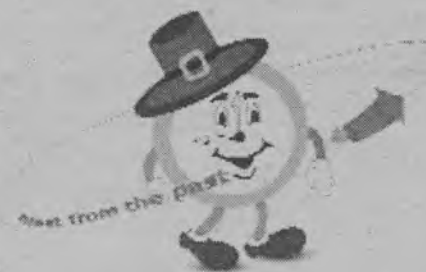
In a press conference afterwards, Head Coach Pat Flannery praised his players, especially Mike

Rhoades. "They are a great bunch of kids and they executed well," said Flannery. He also was insightful enough to correct a reporter's flawed question. When asked about the losing program he took over 5 years ago at Lebanon Valley, Flannery noted, "I took over a team that had a losing record not a losing program. The kids that played back then had talent too."

After the game, as voted by the press, Michael Rhoades and John Harper were voted to the all-tournament team. Rhoades was also named co-MVP of the tournament.



John Harper shoots for two Saturday night.





**LVC's Scores:  
3/3 - 3/15****Men's Basketball:**

3/3 vs. Ursinus\* **W, 84-83**  
 3/6 vs. Alvernia\* **W, 71-68**  
 3/7 vs. DeSales\* **W, 85-62**

Record: 17-2

\* = ECAC tourney

ECAC South Champs

**Women's Basketball:**

3/3 vs. Westminster\* **W, 55-53**  
 3/6 vs. Wash. & Jeff. **L, 63-74**

Record: 21-6

\* = ECAC tourney

**Ice Hockey:**1/13 vs. Wentworth\*\* **L, 4-6**

Record: 18-8

\*\* = ECAC NE semis

**Baseball:**

3/7 vs. College of N.J. **L, 0-13**  
 3/8 vs. Spring Arbor **L, 9-10**  
 3/8 vs. Mt. St. Mary's **L, 5-6**  
 3/10 vs. John Jay **W, 12-3**  
 3/10 vs. Judson **W, 13-3**  
 3/11 vs. Coast Guard **L, 2-15**  
 3/11 vs. Becker **W, 5-4**

Record: 3-4

**Softball:**

3/8 vs. Greensboro **L, 1-2**  
 3/8 vs. Greensboro **W, 7-3**  
 3/9 vs. Wentworth **W, 9-2**  
 3/9 vs. Averett **L, 2-4**  
 3/11 vs. Avila **L, 2-3**  
 3/12 vs. West Chester **L, 4-6**

Record: 2-4

**Icers can't hold on to lead versus Wentworth**

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At the beginning of the season, LVC ice hockey coach Al MacCormack said the only way to leave the ECAC Northeast at the end of the season was as conference champs. After 40 minutes of play in the conference semifinals it looked as if the Dutchmen were going to get a chance to make good on the statement.

Unfortunately, it wasn't meant to be as they lost to Wentworth 6-4 in the semifinals of the ECAC Northeast tournament.

After falling behind 2-0 at the end of the first period, the Dutchmen had their backs to the wall, but in the first three minutes of the second period, the Valley managed to erase Wentworth's lead, tying the game on two goals 17 seconds apart. Anthony Lattanze got the first Dutchman goal of the game at 3:05 of the second period followed by Ryan Tiburtini's first career goal at 3:22.

The Dutchmen would then

take the lead seconds later as Brendon Herr took a feed from Jeffrey Smith and beat Leopard netminder Bryce McFadden. With a 3-2 lead, the Dutchmen continued to press, taking a two-goal lead at the 10:06 mark of the period off a goal from freshman Ryan Merritt. Wentworth drew within one before the close of the period, but the Dutchmen looked as if they were set to make their fourth straight trip to the conference finals.

In the third period Wentworth was awarded a 5-3 powerplay and wasted no time making good on both opportunities. The Leopards registered two goals in the first 1:45 of the third period and suddenly the Dutchmen were on the ropes.

LVC continued to battle but were stymied on every shot by Wentworth's Raj Bhargoo, who came on in relief for McFadden after LVC's fourth goal. An empty-netter for Wentworth made it a 6-4 final.

Next season, the Dutchmen will look to re-establish their perennial presence in the playoffs as they join the ECAC West conference.

**The Valley Tally:  
Spring break wrap-up****Women's hoops falls in ECAC Southern semis**

The LVC women's basketball team finished off their 21-6 season with a sloppy 74-63 loss to Washington & Jefferson in the semifinals of the ECAC Southern Tournament at DeSales on March 6. Junior point guard Crystal Gibson broke LVC's career assists record in the game with seven assists to push her career mark to 382. Junior center Jennifer Northcott led the Dutchmen with 17 points.

**Softball off to 2-4 record after Orlando trip**

The Lebanon Valley College softball team went 2-4 during their week-long trip to Orlando, Fla. Their two victories came over Greensboro on March 8, 7-3, and Wentworth on March 9, 9-2. They lost 1-2 to Greensboro in their opener, and also dropped their last three games to Averett by a 2-4 score, NAIA school Avila 2-3, and NCAA Division II West Chester 4-6.

**Winter weather forces spring postponements**

This week's unexpected winter weather has forced the cancellation of a few spring debuts for the Dutchmen. Softball's doubleheader at Lycoming was postponed. The men's tennis season debut at Wilkes was also postponed. Makeup dates have not yet been announced.

**Athletes of the Week**

Junior guard **J.D. Byers** was the ECAC Southern tournament MVP, scoring 67 points in three games,

including 35 points in men's basketball's win over Ursinus in the quarterfinals.

Photos courtesy of Sports Information



Junior guard **Crystal Gibson** set the all-time program assists record with seven dimes in women's basketball's 74-63

ECAC Southern quarterfinal loss to Washington & Jefferson on March 6.

**Baseball spends their spring break battling it out in Florida**

By Ryan Ehrhart '06

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While the majority of students on campus were packing their bags to head home for spring break last week, the LVC baseball team was packing their bags for some fun in the sun Florida style as they headed south to kick off the 2004 season with six games in five days.

The trip got off to a shaky start as the Dutchmen dropped their first game of the trip 13-0 to the College of New Jersey.

After being shutout in the season opener, the Dutchmen bats showed up in their second game of the trip, posting nine runs against Spring Arbor College, but they lost by a run in a seesaw game. The Dutchmen did have a number of bright

spots including freshman Taylor Sgrignoli's collegiate debut on the mound in which he pitched 2 2/3 scoreless innings, allowing only one hit. At the plate, Scott Montgomery went 3-5 with three runs and four RBI.

In the third game, the Dutchmen took on Mount St. Mary's, a Division I school, and nearly pulled out a very tough game, but ended up losing 6-5.

Freshman Jared Smith led the Dutchmen at the plate going 3-4 driving in a run and scoring one run. On the mound, Brian McFarlane tossed the final 2 1/3 innings of the game and did not allow anyone to reach base.

The Dutchmen bounced back in grand fashion on Wednesday, winning both games they played by a combined score of 25-6.

In the first game of the day,

the Dutchmen took on John Jay College and never trailed after posting three runs in the second inning. The Dutchmen scored all three of their runs in the inning with two outs, with Dan Kelly knocking in two runs with a double followed by Montgomery's RBI single. The Dutchmen would get another run in the third before blowing the doors off with an eight-run fourth. Another big inning in the fifth set the final score at 12-3.

On the mound, freshman Matthew Sanders made his first collegiate start, picking up the win by pitching six innings and allowing one run on seven hits while striking out two.

In the nightcap, the Dutchmen once again flexed their offensive might, posting a 13-3 win on the strength of 16 hits. Denlinger led the way for

the Valley on offense, going a perfect 4-4 at the dish knocking in a trio of runs. Sophomore Alex Morrison also turned in a solid evening going 1-1 with a walk scoring a pair of runs and driving in three. Sgrignoli picked up the win in his first start of the year with 3 1/3 innings pitched.

On Thursday, the Dutchmen closed out their trip with a pair of games against the Coast Guard Academy and Becker College. The first game of the day against the Coast Guard was a rocky outing for the Dutchmen, who were done in by a 10-run fifth inning by the Academy, losing 15-2.

In the evening the Dutchmen looked to pick up a win in their final outing in Homestead, Fla. against Becker College. Possibly still shell-shocked from the game against Coast Guard earlier in the day,

the Dutchmen fell behind 3-0 in the first inning. But LVC would settle down and string five runs together over a span of three innings to take a 5-3 lead and eventually hold on for a 5-4 win.

Ryan Dalton provided the Dutchmen with solid pitching, tossing a complete game and allowing seven hits with three earned runs, striking out nine.

The Dutchmen have a lot to look forward to as they get into their regular season schedule. Montgomery hit safely in all seven games on the trip and has had at least one hit in each of his last 10 games dating back to last season. In addition, the Dutchmen got some solid efforts out of Jeff Greiger, who hit .455 on the trip with a team-high 10 RBI.

Next up for LVC is a trip to Widener tomorrow at 3 p.m.



# Sports special: Spring season previews

By the La Vie Sports Staff

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Photos courtesy of Sports Information

**Believe it or not, the first day of spring is Saturday, so that means it's time for LVC athletes to venture back outside after the snowy winter. This week's La Vie previews every spring sport at the Valley as games and matches kick off in earnest this week.**

## Baseball

**Last season:** 14-14 overall, 9-12 Commonwealth

**So far this season:** 3-4 overall

**Home opener:** Saturday versus Widener, noon

**Key games:** Three games in two days (April 16 and 17) against defending conference champs Messiah.

**Coach:** Keith Evans (1st year, California (Pa.) '90)

**New faces:** C Richard Schwartz, RHP Matt Sanders, OF Jared Smith, INF Dan Kelly, P/INF Frank Conn, 1B/P Sean Frailey, OF/P Joe Raws

**Key returners:** Senior CF Jeff Greiger, junior 2B Scott Montgomery, junior 3B Craig Denlinger, junior RHP Robert Nordall



Senior centerfielder Jeff Greiger will anchor the Dutchmen this season.

Coach Keith Evans takes over a "young but experienced" baseball squad that has some solid freshmen talents on it to complement the returning core of starters in Greiger, Montgomery, and Denlinger. After losing all but Montgomery in the infield, the Dutchmen will try to focus on solid, fundamental ball defensively to win games. Promising freshman catcher Richard Schwartz led the way on their Florida spring break trip, going 3-for-5, scoring four runs, and drawing four walks in as many games.

## Golf

**Last season:** Two third-place finishes were their best

**Home tournament:** April 5 at Lebanon Country Club

**Key match:** Tri-match with E-town and Messiah, today

**Coach:** Lou Sorrentino (15th year, Lebanon Valley '54)

**New faces:** Steven Thomas, Ryan Tiburtini, Thomas Tustin, Michael Wilhelm

**Key returners:** senior Adam Demchak, junior Ryan Ogurcak, senior Bob Hassler

The golf team struggled to place well in meets last season but turned in some outstanding individual performances. Junior Ryan Ogurcak returns after a stellar sophomore year in which he led the team with a low average of 81.7, including a season-low 76. Senior Bob Hassler is also a key returner after averaging 84 last spring.

## Men's Tennis

**Last season:** 13-6 overall, 6-1 MAC. Advanced to MAC Championship match.

**Home opener:** Today versus York, 3:30 p.m.

**Coach:** Cliff Myers (11th year, Penn State '72)

**New faces:** Stuart Hartman, Saming Rattavongkoth, Erik Vargo

**Key returners:** senior Chris Keeney, senior Andy Platt, junior Ryan Wendell

Cliff Myers returns just three letter-winners from last season's team that made it to the conference final. However, returners Ryan Wendell (13-6, 13-6 in doubles in 2003) and Chris Keeney (11-2 singles, 3-3 doubles) will anchor the team that includes six newcomers.

## Softball

**Last season:** 8-21 overall, 3-11 Commonwealth

**Home opener:** Saturday versus Widener, 1 p.m.

**Key game:** Away doubleheader on April 20 at defending champs Moravian

**Coach:** Stacey Hollinger (7th year, Millersville '89)

**New faces:** P/OF Jenn Roberts, SS/2B Audrey Benner, OF/1B Amy Batz, P/INF Kelly O'Toole, 1B/3B Jenn Parks

**Key returners:** senior 2B Kristin Crouse, junior OF/RHP Melissa Ulrich, sophomore RHP Alisa Albers

After a disappointing 2003 campaign, the LVC softball team has a young but talented line-up for 2004. Five freshmen come in to join a solid returning core that includes just three seniors.



Senior second baseman Kristin Crouse led the way in 2003 on the softball field.

Crouse returns to second base after batting .343 a season ago and being named to the All-Commonwealth First Team, while Melissa Ulrich anchors the outfield after her .329 season that got her a spot on the All-Commonwealth Second Team. Albers leads a young rotation after going 4-4 with a team-low 3.12 ERA in her freshman year.

## Track & Field

**Last season:** Both the men and women finished eighth at MAC Championships

**Home meets:** April 3, 1 p.m.; April 7, 3:30 p.m.

**Coach:** Kent Reed (33rd year, Otterbein '53)

**New faces:** Alan Newsome, Bryon Laird, Ryan Letsche, Ryan Webber, Brittany Dukeman, Amy Hartman, Kodie Morrison, Jamie Reynolds, Mandy Warner

**Key returners:** junior Matt Hauk, junior Mitch Nyman, senior Jeremy Rea; senior Amy Wagner, junior Crystal Gibson, senior Lisa Landis

A strong core will get some talented additions for 2004. Freshman Alan Newsome set sprinting records indoors, while former All-American Crystal Gibson returns at the high jump. Amy Wagner and Lisa Landis captain the women's side, while Matt Hauk and Mitch Nyman hold down the men's side.

## Men's hoops upsets top three seeds to win ECAC South

By Tim Flynn '05

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The men's basketball team wrapped up an improbable run for the ECAC Southern Tournament championship with a 65-62 victory over DeSales on March 7.

The title came after a trio of tight upsets against the tournament's top three seeds. The Dutchmen were seeded sixth, and beat third-seeded Ursinus 84-84 in the quarterfinals and



Sophomore forward Dave Kasyan scored a team-high 22 points in the title game.

second-seeded Alvernia 71-68 in the semis to set up the clash with top-seeded DeSales for the title.

Junior guard J.D. Byers earned tournament MVP honors after a blazing three games. Byers dropped 67 points over the three games, including 35 against Ursinus.

Sophomore forward Dave Kasyan led the way against DeSales with a game-high 22 points and eight rebounds including three treys.

The Dutchmen led by as many as 10 with 4:30 left, but a 9-

0 run by DeSales cut the lead to a point with just 38 seconds left. Two free throws from freshman Jimmy Curran made it a three-point lead with 26 ticks on the clock, and no one else would score, securing the win for the Valley.

The title is the third in the past six years for LVC, who also won in 1998 and 2000. Their three-game run in the tournament let them finish with a 17-12 record, making it their eighth straight non-losing season under coach Brad McAlester.

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## President Pollick to leave LVC community

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On Friday, March 19, chair of the LVC Board of Trustees William Lehr Jr., announced that President G. David Pollick will be leaving the LVC community at the end of the current academic year. The announcement came on the same day that Birmingham-Southern College introduced Pollick as its 12th president, beginning in the fall of 2004.

BSC is a four-year, private liberal arts college located in Birmingham, Ala.

The search to replace Birmingham's long-time president, Dr. Neal R. Berte, began in November 2003, according to a press release from Birmingham-Southern on Friday. Pollick was chosen from among 70 applications and nominations and was one of three finalist selected for on-campus interviews earlier this month.

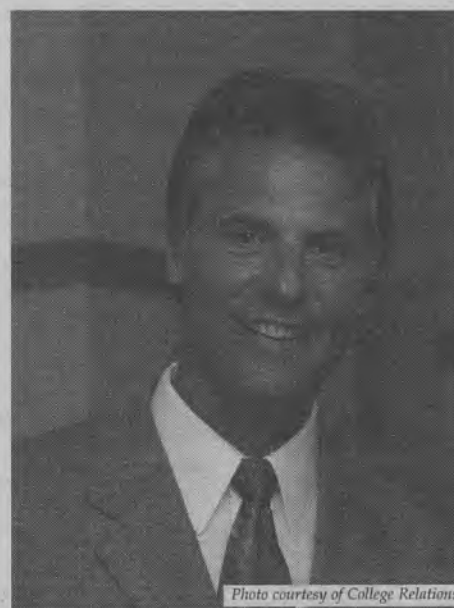
"After eight wonderful years at Lebanon Valley College, the time has come for me to accept another challenge," Pollick said in a campus e-mail. "Know that we will miss the entire community so

very much."

In a second e-mail, dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs Stephen MacDonald indicated that LVC will conduct a national search for a new president. "This will be a thorough and careful process which will engage the attention of the campus community over the coming months," MacDonald said in his e-mail.

During the interim, MacDonald will serve as acting president of the college. Dr. Gary Grieve-Carlson, currently a professor of English and director of the general education program and American Studies, will fill the role of acting dean of the faculty and vice president for academic affairs.

According to the BSC release, during his time at LVC, Pollick led the college through seven straight years of record enrollment to increase undergraduate enrollment by 40 percent. LVC has also constructed five new facilities, added eight new undergraduate and graduate programs and played a major role in the redevelopment of the local downtown streetscape, the release added.



President G. David Pollick

In his e-mail, MacDonald noted, "We are a stronger and more confident institution for President Pollick's leadership."

Before arriving at LVC in 1996, Pollick was co-chief executive officer and president of the Art Institute of Chicago and The School of the Art Institute of Chicago from 1993 to 1995. He was also the acting president of State University of New York College at Cortland (1991-1992), provost and vice president of academic affairs at SUNY Cortland (1989-1993) and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Seattle University in Washington (1984-1989).

## Lynch: loud noise worth end result

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Throughout the spring semester, professors teaching in Lynch have had their lectures drowned out by jackhammers and drills. In January, renovations began to convert the old gymnasium into a new, state-of-the-art academic facility.

The renovation, being completed by Reynolds Construction, will split the area into two different levels. The first floor will consist of classrooms that will eventually become the home to the math and psychology departments. The second floor will be made up of faculty offices as well as seminar rooms and study rooms. A center atrium will rise up in the middle of the area with a glass roof to provide natural light.

However, positive change does not come without a price. Since the students came back to school on Jan. 12, professors have had to compete with Reynolds for the attention of the students. "Because the construction site is walled off, the noises are sometimes startling and puzzling," said English professor Jane Mikoni, who teaches in the building. "The variances in temperature and the unpleasant odor are other factors."

Dr. Robert Hamilton, vice president for administration, said he has received complaints about such issues. According to Hamilton, steps have been taken to solve the problem. "Whenever possible, we inform the contractor about particular activities that can't be interrupted, and they work around it. They have been very cooperative."

Hamilton does admit that the recent finding of rock in the elevator shaft may have contributed extra noise. "Some additional jackhammering had to be done," Hamilton said.

Renovations are not scheduled to be completed until early this fall. Fortunately, demolition is 90 percent complete, so the noise level in Lynch should begin to subside. But if it doesn't, Mikoni said that her class will not be interrupted. "My class is so busy interacting and discussing material that we don't notice the noise," she said.

Hamilton said students and professors can expect to be using the new facilities by the spring of 2005. Though the reward for now seems far away, Mikoni is looking forward to the benefits. "Improved classrooms with more access to technology [are] certainly worth the inconvenience we are encountering this semester," she said.

## The Passion enters the classroom

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On Ash Wednesday, the first day of the Christian season of Lent (the 40 days that lead up to Easter), an epic film was released to almost equally epic amounts of criticism. Yes, Mel Gibson's *The Passion of the Christ*.

People have been going to see it by the thousands, putting it at No. 1 in the box office again this week. They have been coming with their churches. They have been coming with their families. They have been coming with their teachers and students.

Two LVC professors want to take their classes to see the film: Dr. Jeff Robbins, assistant professor of religion and philosophy, and Diane Pietkiewicz,

professor of American Studies.

Robbins is taking his *Search for Jesus* class to see the film because he feels it is a reflection of how contemporary culture views Jesus. The goal of the class is to examine how Jesus is portrayed throughout the history of Western culture, and Robbins sees this film as a "window into our collective psyche." He is also inviting his *History of Christian Thought* and *Introduction to Religion* classes to go along with them.

Pietkiewicz wants to take her American Studies classes to see the film because she feels it represents the role of faith and religion in American culture and politics. In her opinion, "[a]s much as we like to believe that there's some separation of church and state in this country, the truth is that they are inextricably connected."

Pietkiewicz also wants to discuss how the media's reaction to a movie can make or break the movie financially. She also wants to relate the violence in the film to the idea of an "American culture of violence." She examined the latter issue earlier in the semester by showing Michael Moore's *Bowling for Columbine* in her classes.

Both professors are excited to see the film and to discuss reactions to it. If you have a reaction to or an opinion of *The Passion of the Christ* that you would like to share with the campus community, there will be an open discussion on the film by the religion and philosophy department on Tuesday, April 6, at 9 p.m. in Faust Lounge. Or contact the staff of *La Vie Collegienne* to submit an article.

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# Around the world in 300 words

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## And they say searching luggage is a waste of time:

Authorities at Boston's Logan International Airport discovered the severed head of a seal in the luggage of a biologist Friday. The biologist, traveling to Denver, said he found the dead animal and cut off its head to use for educational purposes. Federal wildlife law prohibits disrupting or removing body parts from a dead mammal as well as transporting any illegal wildlife product. The biologist was allowed to board the plane, but authorities confiscated the seal's head.

## A new way to find love:

A team at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology has created a service called Serendipity, a new mobile phone dating technology. The service would store a personal profile and

information about what the person is looking for in a significant other. When there are enough similarities and the phones are close enough, the phones would communicate with each other. This service is not available through mobile networks yet, but the industry believes it is only a matter of time before the idea catches on.

## Finding new homes:

Philadelphia football and baseball fans will have to get used to new homes for their favorite teams, after the old Veterans Stadium was imploded at 7 a.m. Sunday. It took 3,000 pounds of explosives to reduce the stadium to 70,000 cubic yards of rubble. The Eagles now play in Lincoln Financial Field, while the Phillies will open their season on April 12 at Citizens Bank Park.

## Arrests made:

Five men were arrested Saturday in connection with the March 11 bombings in Madrid. Three were

Moroccan suspects and were charged with 190 murders and 1,400 attempted murders, as well as with belonging to a terrorist group. Two Indian suspects were charged with collaborating with a terrorist organization and fraud. All five have denied the charges and have been remanded into custody.

## Want to be healthy? Grab a Big Mac:

Two top French nutritionists are telling people that they should reach for a Big Mac instead of the traditional Quiche Lorraine. The new food guide claims that the McDonald's burger has a higher, and therefore healthier, protein to fat ratio than the quiche. McDonald's is currently trying to launch a campaign to add healthier foods to its menus and to eliminate Supersize fries and soft drinks.

The writer used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

# LVC finalizes farm purchase

By Sara Smith '05

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On Feb. 20, LVC finalized the purchase of Roland Farm, the 65-acre property north of the practice football field, for approximately \$500,000.

"We have no firm plans for use of most of the acreage," said Dr. Robert Hamilton, vice president for administration. "But we are looking at a number of options for the house. It is very large and will most likely be used for upperclassmen housing." Facilities Services may also relocate to the property.

LVC purchased the farm because it is adjoining property and offers the possibility of future expansion, according to John R. Becker, director of Facilities Services.

In 1998, LVC purchased 40 acres - what is now the practice football field and freshman parking lot - from the Roland family. The Rolands kept the farm to rent out, but in 2001, they offered to sell the rest of the property to LVC. Negotiations took two years.

LVC also has an interest in buying Roma's Pizza; President Pollick would like to create a public park on the lot. However, the Russo family, who owns Roma's Pizza, and the college have been unable to reach a satisfactory agreement. "We are interested in purchasing it at the right price," said Hamilton. "So far, the right price hasn't been offered."

# Study Abroad photo contest

Have you studied off-campus with LVC? It's time to pull out your photo albums and boxes for the 5th annual Study Abroad Photo contest. Any current full-time LVC student who participated in an off-campus program may submit up to four photos that highlight their study off-campus experience. Prospective students and parents will judge all submitted photos during the LVC Live Open House in Lynch Gym between 11a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 3. Photos will be awarded in the following categories:

(1) Most Scenic, (2) Most Abstract, (3) Most Amusing and (4) Viewer's Choice. Entries can win for more than one category.

## OFFICIAL PHOTO CONTEST RULES:

- (1) Contest is open to current full-time students who participated in an LVC off-campus program.
- (2) All photos for the contest must be received in Humanities 206 by 4 p.m. on Monday, March 29.
- (3) Each entry must include name, e-mail or telephone number, and a description of photo location. Color prints should be enclosed in an envelope with the identification information printed on the outside of the envelope.
- (4) No more than four photos per person may be submitted.
- (5) The winner of each category will receive a \$20.00 gift certificate to the restaurant or store of his/her choice within Lebanon County.
- (6) Winners will be notified by e-mail or telephone no later than April 9. Winner's names will also be posted in La Vie.
- (7) All entries may be used for Study Abroad promotional events at any time.
- (8) By accepting a prize, winner grants to the LVC Study Abroad Office the right to use his/her name and likeness for any advertising, promotion or any other purpose without further compensation or permission, except where prohibited by law.



## Thoughts from the editors

Greetings LVC community. As we near the end of March, we are bidding farewell to the snow and cold of winter and welcoming the warmth and flowers of spring (we hope!).

This week's edition of *La Vie* is packed with stories, including a profile on Dr. Dryden and news about LVC buying the farm across from the Arnold Sports Center.

This week also highlights the news of President Pollick leaving LVC for Birmingham-Southern. We welcome comments and thoughts about this announcement from faculty, staff and students. Please e-mail us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com)

There are tons of activities this weekend, so check out page six to see what you'd like to do. For once, you might not be bored on campus over a weekend!

Watch for next week's edition of the paper and stories on the real deal with graduation and find out who Lenny the Leopard is and why he used to be so important to the LVC students.

Another week comes to a close, another issue finished. From our point of view, it is hard to believe this is our 21st issue of the year. Talk about feeling like you actually accomplished something.

If you haven't noticed the posters around campus, or have completely ignored our requests each week, and you are interested in joining the staff of *La Vie*, stop on down Mondays at 6 p.m. in the lower level of Mund for our meetings.

Have a great weekend!

## "Silent No More!" – Survivors speak out!!!

**Tuesday, April 20, 2004 from 6 - 7 p.m.  
marks the first Survivor Speak-Out "Silent No More!"  
held in Lebanon County.**

**The purpose of a speak-out is a chance for survivors, their family, friends and supporters to talk about their lives through the visual arts and the spoken word.**

**Much of what survivors have to share is the very personal point of view of their lives viewed through the lens of abuse. This sharing can be difficult but can be transforming to the viewer/ listener.**

**Many of us remember a book, film, musical or stage performance that, after we viewed it, we looked at the world in a different way. This view can be earth-shattering, but most often is subtle in its effect upon our outlook on the world.**

**You can read poetry or prose you have written.**

**You may read the poetry or prose of another.**

**You may submit your own artwork,  
or that of a friend (you must obtain a release).**

**You may submit your own prose or poetry.  
It may be submitted anonymously.**

**You can also attend the event. It is free of charge and  
will be held at the Allen Theater in Annville.**

**If you have any ideas, please contact Gary Rusen at  
270.6972 ext. 351 or [grusen@sarcclebanon.com](mailto:grusen@sarcclebanon.com).**

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## Security Log

*Information courtesy of Public Safety*

\*On Monday, March 1, a door at the softball field dugout was damaged and the equipment room was broken into. Nothing was reported missing; damage was valued at \$880. Investigation continues.

\*On Tuesday, March 16, ropes were stolen from two flagpoles at the softball field. The value was estimated at \$218. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, March 19, the front door window was broken in the Humanities Center. The value of the damage is unknown. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, March 19, housekeeping reported that a rug was missing from the new student center. The value was estimated at \$1,850. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, March 19, the fuel door of a Public Safety vehicle was forced open and the gas cap was stolen. The value was estimated at \$100.

\*On Saturday, March 20, a lamp globe was broken on the academic quad. The damage was valued at \$100.

\*On Sunday, March 21, Public Safety assisted Pennsylvania state police and the Annville Township police department in serving an arrest warrant to an on-campus visitor.



## Disability Services provides various services for LVC students with learning and physical disabilities

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Ever feel like you just can't master a particular class? Or ever feel like you might have a disability but have never been diagnosed? Regardless of whether or not you have a disability, feel free to visit Yvonne Foster, the Coordinator of Disability Services at LVC, in Humanities 206-D.

Foster began her career in clinical psychology. She assisted many patients who had learning disabilities, mental retardation and other mental health disorders. Since 1994, she has conducted

psychological assessments for the Lancaster County Children and Youth Services. She has also completed numerous assessments for the Office of Social Security Disability. Her background in mental health and disability services led to her desire to pursue a position at LVC.

If you do have a disability, you need to have documentation from your medical doctor or psychologist so that Foster can determine what services you will need. Also, faculty members are encouraged to refer students with medical, health and emotional disabilities to Foster.

Additionally, if you think you have a

disability but have not been diagnosed, the Office of Disability Services at LVC will refer you to a local provider to conduct an assessment. Then Foster will evaluate what accommodations you are eligible for in accordance with the American Disabilities Act. For example, you may have a peer note taker or take a test in another room to avoid distractions.

Foster will also help you understand your strengths and weaknesses, discover what learning strategies are most effective for you and enable you to implement the practices that will help you function independently with your disability.

Foster feels that her career is stimulating because she is able to work with students and faculty and counsel others. Her services are governed by the American Disabilities Act, a law that protects individuals with disabilities.

Foster challenges us to be more proactive than reactive and remember that "we are all works in progress." Her personal goals for her position are to educate the LVC community on the difficulties individuals with disabilities face, to remind us how our behaviors affect other individuals and can be hurtful and to encourage us to reach out instead of avoiding people who may be different.

## Democrats: Right or left?

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The registered Democrats in the United States have overwhelmingly chosen Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., as their Presidential hopeful for 2004. At the Democratic convention, the party will have no other choice than to formally select Kerry as their candidate. Nevertheless, would Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., have been a superior selection? Due to the Gore/Lieberman political loss in 2000, people may question the success of Lieberman as a candidate in 2004; yet, sources say the Bush administration was most concerned with a Joe Lieberman presidential ticket.

Lieberman is a moderate Democrat who conveys a conservative stance on defense and national security. He is known for his strong morals and family values; Lieberman obtains a respectable message among Republican circles, while remaining faithful to Democratic Party politics. Any undecided Republican would have had to grant a respectful look toward Lieberman before casting a vote for President Bush in 2004. Nonetheless, Kerry, not Lieberman, is the candidate, and Democrats can expect few or no crossover votes from the Republican Party. Some believe Democrats have "dropped the ball" in backing a left, liberal candidate like Kerry. Here's why:

Kerry is considered a liberal Democrat synonymous with his fellow senator from Massachusetts, Ted Kennedy. Kerry's voting record while in the Senate has been less than consistent. Under President Bush, Kerry voted in support of the Patriot Act, No Child Left Behind and the resolution author-

izing war with Iraq; now, he criticizes and condemns all three. In 1996, Kerry voted against the Defense of Marriage Act on grounds that it was gay-bashing. On a Federal level, DOMA limited marriage to the union between a man and a woman. When questioned however, Kerry has repeatedly expressed opposition to legalizing gay marriage. It seems then that Kerry and President Bush find common ground on this issue, leaving the sanctity of marriage untouched, while creating civil unions for same-sex individuals.

Kerry's service in Vietnam is honorable and not enough can be said about veterans and their service to our country, both past and present. That being said, Kerry's service to the armed forces since then has been detrimental. Kerry's voting record diminishes national security and has consistently cut intelligence and defense spending. For example, two years after the World Trade Center bombings in 1993, Kerry proposed a bill to cut \$1.5 billion from American intelligence. Also, after voting for authorization to go to war with Iraq, Kerry voted against the bill providing \$87 billion needed to financially support the troops and begin rebuilding Iraq. Kerry's voting record will be a prime target of Republicans now and even more so in upcoming debates. He will have to defend and explain what appear to be flaws in his voting history as a U.S. Senator.

The Presidential race should be exciting. Kerry appears to be a formidable opponent to the president, though it will be difficult to unseat a strong incumbent like George W. Bush.

## Kindermusik boosts musical ability

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According to the *Lebanon Daily News*, Kindermusik is one of the programs provided by the Community Music Institute at LVC. The program introduces preschoolers to music with the intention that they will become musically inclined later in life.

The Kindermusik program meets on Saturday's at LVC. Amanda Lutz, a senior elementary and special education major at LVC, works with a 3-year-old who attends Kindermusik and was diagnosed with Asperger's Syndrome.

The Autism Society states that a person who has Asperger's Syndrome will have good language and cognitive skills and normal or above-average intelligence. However, they do not understand social norms or gestures and make limited eye contact with other people.

Lutz became aware of the opportunity to work with this child during an

assessment course held by Dr. Jane Yingling, assistant professor of education at LVC. For the first three weeks, she observed the child during the Kindermusik program and recorded his patterns of behavior and facial expressions. During this time, she noticed that he had difficulty transitioning from one activity to another.

Lutz plans to use a technique she learned in class called "duration recording" to measure how long he is engaged in the activities during Kindermusik. Also, after consulting Dr. Cheryl George, assistant professor of education, Lutz began to devise a method to incorporate picture cues into the program for the child. For example, Lutz may hold up a picture of a piano to tell him that they will soon finish singing songs in a circle and will move to the piano to play some music. The picture cues help him to adapt to changes more smoothly.

After graduating, Lutz plans to continue working with the child.

### What's happening this weekend?

#### Friday

- \*Faculty/staff vs. LVC students basketball game, Arnold Sports Center, 2 p.m.
- \*Relay for Life, Arnold Sports Center, 4 p.m. Friday to 4 p.m. Saturday
- \*Concert, Four Horizons, Zimmerman Recital Hall, 7:30 p.m.

#### Saturday

- \*LIVE for Life, benefit concert to celebrate the three victims of last semester's accident, Arnold Sports Center, 7 p.m.



## Dr. Phylis Dryden named Professor *Emerita* of English

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On Feb. 26, 2004, Dr. Phylis Dryden was officially given the honorary title of Professor *Emerita* of English by Lebanon Valley College's Board of Trustees. The announcement was made on March 18.

Dryden has been teaching at LVC since August 1987. Serving as assistant professor until her appointment as associate professor in August 1994, she has taken on a number of responsibilities at the College through the years.

Along with her other duties, Dryden has served as the chair of the Faculty Standards and Policies Committee and as the acting director of the Honors Program, as well as Secretary of the Faculty. She supervised the internship program in the English department for a 10-year period.

For health reasons, Dryden resigned her tenure-track position in the English department at the conclusion of the fall 2003 semester. Currently, Dryden is tutoring out of an office in the basement of the library for three hours a week.

Dryden said, "My new office is small, but incredibly neat!"

Never without her books, Dryden had a five-shelf bookcase installed in order to house some of her literature books. Prominent volumes by Henry James and William Faulkner greet visitors - a testament to her favorite works. "I just touch them and I feel good," she said.

Her part-time tutoring began in the fall of 2003. Through the Office of Disabilities Services, Dryden assists learning-disabled students in writing.

Her dedication is unmistakable. Dryden has an impressive list of experience with special needs students. "A commitment to learning disabled and other special needs students - I'd have to say that's my passion," she said.

The roots of this passion can be traced back to a week-long workshop Dryden attended in 1994 at

Landmark College, a two-year school for learning disabled students. The workshop, entitled, "Teaching Writing to College and High School Learning Disabled/Dyslexic Students," lit a fire in Dryden.

"I came back from that and from a lot of reading I did and just kept trying to think of ways to help people to write when they have really big obstacles," she said.

Dryden, a 1976 graduate of the Adult Degree Program at Atlantic Union College in South Lancaster, Mass., has a bachelor's degree in English, as well as a master's and a doctorate from the University at Albany, N.Y.

She has taught Youth Scholars courses on 10 separate occasions, after which several participants enrolled at LVC. In addition to these courses, she has also taught a wide variety of continuing education classes.

"I am a college dropout," she said. "I went to college in the conventional way for only one year." Dryden explained that initially, an advanced education hadn't seemed necessary in order to write well. "Then it dawned on me that I could learn to be an even better writer by studying literature - the writings of others."

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### Dr. Phylis Dryden

Dropping out of college has provided an unexpected advantage for Dryden. Having been in their shoes, she now feels she can empathize with the feelings of non-traditional students.

Dryden has attended and presented at numerous conferences at the national, regional and special interest levels. These conferences, dealing with anything from writing to literary theory, have served as platforms for her to learn, as well as to present her educational theories.

One of these platforms has been provided by Teaching Academic



Dr. Phylis Dryden was recently awarded the title of Professor *Emerita* of English by the LVC Board of Trustees.

Survival Skills, a special needs organization. She has given six one-hour presentations at TASS conventions, one of which was entitled "Costumes in the Classroom: Not Just for Kids."

Drawn to the research and practice of costumes in the classroom by a self-professed "secretly theatrical nature," Dryden would like to be remembered for her innovative teaching.

Her students undoubtedly remember her "Glitter Cop" outfit, when she pretended to be part of the "Plagiarism Police," or perhaps even her Halloween witch costume. Each costume morphed to fit the needs and idiosyncrasies of new sets of students throughout her career.

Her students took special note of these costumes, which provided clarity, singularity and comedy to her lectures.

Outside of the classroom, writing has been another of Dryden's lifelong passions. After publishing her first article when she was 17, Dr. Dryden has gone on to publish a work of short fiction, over 120 poems and over 100 newspaper articles. She has recently returned to her writing with vigor.

"For me, especially when I first became disabled, the only way that I could make meaning out of my experience was to write. I would get up early in the morning - or if I couldn't sleep late at night - and I would go straight to the keyboard.

And I would write something every day."

It seems Dryden will have no shortage of activities to fill her newfound free time.

One of her goals is to collect some of her smaller works into a volume for her personal pleasure. These works will include a collection of fictionalized dreams, a technique she learned through listening to Toni Morrison in an informal setting.

Writing has in fact been a frequent exercise of late for Dryden. "It's a matter of verbal calisthenics," she says.

Dryden also plans to continue her tutoring for as long as she is able to. "That [tutoring] sounds so one-way, but it isn't. You learn by teaching - and tutoring is the most intense form of teaching.

"The ... other goal I have is to reach out through public speaking to persuade a segment of the population to surrender their driver's licenses when they, like me, can no longer drive safely."

What started with an article in the *Lebanon Daily News* is steadily blossoming into what she hopes will be a national campaign. Dryden recently presented her views on this matter in an interview on *Comcast Tonight*, and is already considering a far-reaching public service announcement.

Despite these constructive aspirations for the future, Dryden still misses the classroom, which she describes as a place of "energy and renewal."

Referring to a class she taught on Sept. 11, 2001, when her own son was still unaccounted for in New York City, Dryden said, "I support(ed) the dean's idea that education is our business. It has always been mine."

It seems as though in the absence of teaching in the classroom, the activities of public speaking, tutoring and writing have combined to help fill the void for a woman with an extraordinary and abiding urge to educate - and to be educated.



## Metropolis: a silent mix of horror, romance, fantasy

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When I first saw the spring semester's schedule for the Science & Public Policy Colloquium Film Series, *Metropolis* stuck out like a sore thumb – that is, in a good way. This silent classic is certainly one of the most influential films to come out of the '20s alongside the likes of *Nosferatu* and *The Phantom of the Opera*. Some may think that because the film is old, silent and black-and-white it may be boring and draining, but *Metropolis* is nothing of the sort; the restored version of the early 20th century original is both visually stimulating and emotionally uplifting. Not only is *Metropolis* a refreshing change of pace to this semester's colloquium, but it is also the shining star of this year's film series.

In a futuristic world, where the upper class lives on the surface and the working class resides far underground slaving over machinery to power the rich city of Metropolis, there is one man who seeks to change this disunity between the classes. Freder, the son of John Fredersen (head of Metropolis), is sparked to alter the class struggle by a visit from a charming young woman named Maria. Maria

enters Freder's estate with a horde of poverty-stricken children from the underground, and Freder becomes emotionally attached to both the poor children and the Virgin Mary-like Maria with hopes to nullify the ruthless Social Darwinist society his father built. Freder calls on the mad scientist/inventor Rotwang for help, but all goes awry when the evil Rotwang creates a robot in the likeness of Maria in order to convince her followers to destroy the machines that run the non-working class's world. Little do the underground slaves realize that by destroying the machines they are destroying both the elite and themselves. Freder is the only hope to bring peace to the two conflicting classes before it's too late.

This film blends horror, romance, fantasy and science-fiction all into a perfect package that also packs a political punch. There are obvious elements of Marxism present in this film with both the uprising of the proletariat over the bourgeoisie and the inevitable striving towards a Communist society. However, even though aspects of public policy are undoubtedly evident throughout the entire picture, the film opens with somewhat of a disclaimer that reads, "This film is not of today or of the future. It tells of no place. It serves no tendency, party, or

class. It has a moral that grows on the pillar of understanding: 'The mediator between brain and muscle must be the heart.' Thea von Harbou." Harbou's quote at the end carries so much symbolism with it into the picture and serves as the film's forceful main theme.

In every silent film there is too much heavily applied make-up and way too many overly dramatic expressions, and unsurprisingly, *Metropolis* is no exception. At times, the characters, with their tremendously pale faces and their excessively accentuated wide eyes, look more like pantomimes than actors. Their facial expressions and body movements are exaggerated to the utmost extreme, but then again, this is true acting, considering there is no tone of voice – or, for that matter, any voice at all – to interpret.

*Metropolis* is the parent picture of thousands of films; it paved the way for so many sci-fi titles such as *Blade Runner*, *The Fifth Element* and *Gattaca* (the next scheduled film in the colloquium) to name a few. Both its visually stunning camera angles and its deceptive cinematography (between prop and performer) are absolutely astonishing, given the time it was made. *Metropolis* is truly a groundbreaking film, which contains both characters and situations that will be forever



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emulated throughout the world of cinema.

A few scenes that stand out in my mind include the frightening flashlight chase scene through the dark, dank catacombs where Rotwang hunts down Maria and the robot transforming light show where the machine took on the likeness of Maria. Its dreary, dreamy feel and eerie eye shots will be stamped into your memory for a lifetime, and even though this film may not "say" anything, it says a lot about societal stratification and screams masterpiece.

Rating: \*\*\*\* out of \*\*\*\*

## Dan Koon named as College's Latest Fulbright Scholar

This week's historical article, printed on April 3, 1981, highlights the experience of a former LVC student who was awarded a Fulbright scholarship, allowing him to study in Germany for a full year. Many people are unaware that LVC has a Graduate Fellowship Committee formed specifically to

Fellowship Programs" link on LVC's homepage. Read on for more information on former student Dan Koon's experience.

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By Dawn Humphrey

"It's great being offered money to study," says Dan Koon, a senior Math/Physics major, who has won a Fulbright-Hays full grant for next year.

Koon, who is from Houtzdale, PA, will study color science at the Technical University in Berlin. His work will incorporate psychology, physics, mathematics and biology, in an attempt to discover the formulas behind what we perceive as color. He also hopes to do research at BAM, which is the German Federal Institute for the Testing of Materials.

His scholarship will include round-trip transportation, tuition, books, an intensive two-month German language course and living expenses for a year.

Koon is pleased that he has been chosen to take the language course, which is not required of all Fulbright scholars.

Despite the fact that he has had five years of German, he feels he needs the course. As he says, "no one in Berlin speaks introductory German."

He speaks enthusiastically about his study abroad, saying "I'd like a year to do something quite different from what I've been doing for 16 years."

When he returns home, he plans to go to graduate school. He says, "Hopefully, the experience will help me next year when I reapply to graduate school." He hopes to improve his credentials by publishing some of his work.

According to Koon, the odds of winning a Fulbright are about 4 to 1, but the odds seem to be much better for Lebanon Valley students. Koon is the fifth LVC student in the past six years to win one of the grants.

Koon credits Dr. William Fleischman of the mathematics department with first interesting him in color science, and urging him to apply for the scholarship.

Dean George Marquette, campus coordinator of the Fulbright program, says Fleischman has also been an important factor in getting most, if not all of the other Fulbright grants for LVC.

The Fulbright scholarship is adminis-



Dan Koon

tered by the Institute for International Education. According to a brochure published by the Institute, the purpose of the grant is "to give U.S. students the opportunity to live and study in a foreign country...and to increase mutual understanding between the United States and other countries..."

The funds for the grants come from the U.S. government, corporations such as ITT, foreign governments, foreign university and private benefactors.



assist students in applying for any of a wide array of programs. Fellowships are offered in areas ranging from civil service to math and science to education, just to name a few. According to the College's Web site, "Recent graduates have been involved in cancer research in Germany, teaching English in South Korea, conducting ecological research in France, and developing a model in the UK that predicts the progression of AIDS in an at-risk population." For more information on fellowships and the application process, click on the "Graduate



### LVC's Scores: 3/16-3/23

#### Men's tennis:

3/16 at Wilkes ppd.  
3/18 vs. York W, 6-1  
3/21 at Elizabethtown W, 5-2  
Record: 2-0

#### Baseball:

3/17 vs. York ppd.  
3/19 at Widener ppd.  
3/20 vs. Widener (DH) ppd.  
Record: 3-4

#### Softball:

3/16 at Lycoming (DH) ppd.  
3/18 at DeSales (DH) ppd.  
Record: 2-4

#### Outdoor track:

3/20 at DeSales cancelled

### Home this week:

#### Friday:

Baseball vs. Moravian, 3 p.m.

#### Saturday:

Men's tennis vs. Messiah, 1 p.m.

#### Sunday:

Baseball vs. Widener (DH), noon  
Softball vs. Widener (DH), 1 p.m.

#### Tuesday:

Baseball vs. Millersville, 3 p.m.  
Men's tennis vs. Eastern, 3:30 p.m.

## Philadelphia finally says bye to the Vet

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loved and hated by so many, just as the athletes who played in it.

From Mike Schmidt and Scott Rolen being booed at the hot corner to Ricky Watters and Duce Staley in the backfield, the folks who played there enjoyed a love-hate relationship with the fans just as the stadium did.

I'll be honest - it wasn't exactly the Ritz. The Vet was way too big for baseball, it smelled vaguely of urine and stale beer, and its acoustics could be best compared to listening to a garage band underwater with a trash can on your head. The artificial turf was something nobody ever liked, and sitting on the 700 level was liable to get you a free haircut courtesy of the jets heading into Philly International.

There was a lot to love about it, though. For one thing, it was one of the last stadiums in the country not named Yankee to slip through the cracks of the corporate naming craze (although that could just be because no company in their right mind would slap their name on the place). The fans were loud and crazy and loved their teams, and despite the

national reputation of being boob-birds, they really just appreciated hard work and hated teams getting lazy.

And then I think back on all the times I had been there and it doesn't seem so bad - my first baseball game in 1988 against the Dodgers, at the height of Tommy Lasorda's Slim-Fast endorsement hilarity; the Eagles' somber 1992 season opener after Jerome Brown died; Curt Schilling's 2-0 Game 5 gem in the '93 World Series.

Now, it's going to be a parking lot for new Citizens Bank Park, which sat next door and watched as its cousin was imploded column-by-column. The Phillies say that an outline of the Vet's baseball diamond will be painted in the parking lot, with markers noting the bases. The Eagles, who had little love for the stadium and didn't even officially attend the implosion, aren't planning anything in tribute. One team remembers it, the other, forgets it.

It's an appropriate end for a stadium that was as much loved as it was hated by the fans who populated it.

## The Valley Tally: Cagers honored

### Three cagers named to all-region teams

The Dutchmen have had three basketball players named to the d3hoops.com First, Second, or Third team All-Region. Junior guard J.D. Byers was named to the First Team for the Mid-Atlantic region after leading his team to the ECAC Southern championship over spring break. For the women's team, junior center Jennifer Northcott earned a place on the second team after leading the Commonwealth Conference in rebounding and averaging 13.6 points per game. Junior guard Erin Eaby made the third team after averaging 15.1 points per game last season and leading the conference in steals with over 4 per game.

## Athletes of the Week



Junior **Ryan Wendell** of the men's tennis team won twice at No. 1 doubles last week and took No. 1 singles



Freshman **Eric Vargo** of the men's tennis team lost just two games at No. 3 singles against York and

against York to help his team start their conference title defense at 2-0.

Elizabethtown, winning 6-1, 6-0 and 6-0, 6-1 in a pair of LVC team wins.

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## Abroad students dive into a class you won't find in Annville

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Beneath us, a forest of kelp swayed back and forth with the surge, while black angel fish and yellow-finned leather jackets wove in and out of the leaves. Between the stalks, brilliant orange and yellow sponges quilted the rocks populated by an army of spiny green sea urchins. A lone eagle ray glided gracefully up from the bottom and flapped away into the haze like a giant gray ghost. Welcome to my physical education classroom!

This weekend, three other Lebanon Valley College students and I completed our open-water scuba certification at Opito Bay on the Coromandel Peninsula located along the north eastern coast of New Zealand. This trip was the culmination of a month-long course through Club Scuba at the University of Waikato,

which also included three preparatory classroom sessions and three confined-water pool dives. Although all of that taught me the skills I'd need and acclimated me to breathing with scuba underwater, nothing could have prepared me for the sheer thrill of diving in Opito Bay - I was completely blown away by the experience.

We drove three hours up to Club Scuba's dive cabin Friday night and set out on our first dive Saturday morning. We went out on a 12-foot dirigible to one of the little sheltered coves in the headlands on either side of the bay. The whole process of getting ready and checking our gear before descending seemed to take forever on the first dive; I was so anxious to get below the surface. It was well worth the wait, though, because once I had gotten my ears equalized, fixed my buoyancy so it was neutral and finally looked around, I felt

like I'd landed on another planet. Everything seemed so alien and amazing underwater, and the sensation of gliding weightlessly above everything was incredible. My eyes were as big as saucers the whole time, and if I hadn't had to hold the regulator in my mouth to breathe, my jaw would have been dragging along the bottom.

As soon as we started exploring under the guidance of our instructor, Ropes, we were encircled by a massive school of silver herring. The wall of fish bent back and forth around us, reflecting the filtered sunlight in unison as they moved. The herring stayed around us for the majority of the dive as we peered through the kelp at sea life on the bottom.

It was over before I knew it. We stayed down for 31 minutes that first dive, but I'm positive it was only five. We took three more dives over the weekend in various coves around Opito Bay,

and after every decent, I was amazed anew at how awesome the underwater world really is. The whole trip passed way too quickly, as incredible experiences tend to do, and I'll be counting down the hours until our next diving trip in six weeks. We're

traveling up to the Poor Knights Islands Marine Reserve, rumored to be one of the ten best dive sites in the world, for our advanced open-water certification. This time they may have to forcibly remove me from the water.



Photo courtesy of Jenny Larson

The view of New Zealand's Opito Bay, where LVC students had the opportunity to scuba dive last week.



## So long, Vet: Saying good-bye to the concrete doughnut

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Veterans Stadium was like your favorite pair of old sneakers - it was ugly, it had holes in it, and it stunk. But like that comfy pair of old sneakers, no one wanted to throw it out.

That's why Sunday morning's implosion of the stadium was so bittersweet for Philadelphia sports fans. The stadium that had been home to generations of Phillies and Eagles had seen its time, but the nostalgia of a venue that had seen what little success took place in the history of the two franchises made it hard to say goodbye.

After all, the Vet was home to the only championship in the Phillies' sorry past, and it hosted a loss in the NFC Championship game as its last-ever football contest. Well, maybe Eagles fans will want to forget that one.

Still, as maligned as the Vet was, its character was pure Philadelphia. It was utilitarian, loud, and worked hard, hosting not only the Phillies and the Eagles, but Temple football, Army-Navy games, high school baseball tournaments, and concerts. What made it so interesting was that it was simultaneously

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## Tennis starts off season at 2-0

### Men get two straight wins over York and E-town



*Photo courtesy of Sports Information*

**Junior Ryan Wendell won his No. 1 singles match against York and was part of two No.1 doubles wins.**

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The Lebanon Valley College men's tennis team started off their Commonwealth title defense in the best way possible last week, earning a pair of wins against York College and conference foe Elizabethtown College.

Despite a relatively young roster, with three freshman and two sophomore making the nine-man

team, the Dutchmen dominated York inside the Arnold Sports Center and got a 6-1 victory last Thursday.

The match was forced indoors due to that morning's unexpected snow fall.

LVC started the day off by sweeping all three doubles matches from the Spartans. Freshman Stuart Hartman and junior Ryan Wendell teamed up for a 8-1 win at No. 1 doubles.

Senior Andy Platt and freshman Eric Vargo also earned an 8-1 victory in the second spot, and senior Chris Keeney grabbed an 8-6 win at the third spot alongside freshman Saming Rattanaavongkoth.

In singles action against York, Wendell made his debut in the No. 1 slot and earned a 6-3, 7-5 victory over Brian Frey. Erik Vargo was impressive in his collegiate debut, picking up a 6-0, 6-1 match over Jon Mattes in the third slot.

Other winners for the Dutchmen were Platt (No. 4, 7-6, 6-0 over Devin Long), Hartman (No. 5, 6-0, 7-6 over Dave Tabachnik), and junior Zack Cook (No. 6, 6-1, 6-4 over Rob Schab). The lone lost point of the day came in No. 2 singles, when Keeney lost a tough match to Ryan Weber in three sets, 3-6, 6-4, 6-3.

York fell to 4-4 with the loss, and it was their third straight team loss.

The success continued on Sunday as the Dutchmen earned a win in their Commonwealth Conference opener against the Blue Jay of Elizabethtown, 5-2.

The Valley quickly picked up the doubles point by sweeping the Blue Jays. The No. 1 team of Wendell and Hartman won 8-5 while the second team of Vargo and Platt won 8-4. The No. 3 team of Keeney and Rattanaavongkoth rounded out doubles play with an 8-2 win.

In singles action, the Dutchmen got four more points by winning at third through sixth singles to seal the team win. Ryan Wendell fell at No. 1 to Greg Voshell 7-5, 6-3 and Chris Keeney dropped his No. 2 singles match in a tie-breaker 4-6, 6-4 (10-2).

However, the end of the lineup came through for the Dutchmen, with Vargo (No. 3, 6-0, 6-1 over Martin Ramirez), Platt (No. 4, 6-3, 6-2 over Cory Rouzer), Hartman (No. 5, 6-4, 6-2 over Carlos Vitores) and Cook (No. 6, 6-1, 6-2 over Erik Sawchuck) all



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**Senior Chris Keeney picked up a pair of wins at No. 3 doubles in LVC's two victories last week.**

winning their matches to give the Dutchmen a 2-0 record.

LVC also competed Monday at Ursinus in non-conference action, but results of that match were not available at press time.

Next time out for the Dutchmen, they will face Messiah at home on Saturday at 1 p.m.

## Winter weather ices spring sports schedules

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Despite the first day of spring coming on Saturday, last Tuesday and Thursday's wild winter weather forced the cancellation or postponements of XX sporting events at the Valley last week.

Softball's two games were postponed. Their pair of away doubleheaders against MAC Freedom teams Lycoming and DeSales were postponed due to



*Photo courtesy of Annalouise Ventrella*

**Last Thursday's blast of winter snarled spring teams.**

unplayable field conditions. Neither have been rescheduled yet.

Baseball's home opener against York last Wednesday was snowed out and will be made up

on April 6. A trio of games against Widener on Friday and Saturday were also pushed back to last Tuesday, displacing Tuesday's originally scheduled game against Rutgers-Newark. Their doubleheader against Widener will be played on March 28. Finally, their non-conference game against Delaware Valley was rescheduled to Wednesday from Monday.

Outdoor track's meet at DeSales Saturday was cancelled outright, and men's tennis' match

against Wilkes was postponed. Finally, golf's tri-match with E-town and Messiah Thursday was postponed as well.

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## Spanish poet talks about poetry and terrorism

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Renowned Spanish poet Juvenal Soto spoke and gave poetry readings on March 24 in Leedy Theater as part of LVC's Meeting Hispanic Authors program.

Soto read selected poems, followed with English translations by students and faculty. He was appreciative of the effort put into the program by the college and the students.

"It is a splendid labor, and it's an enormous task. I have translated from French to Spanish and I know it is an enormous task," Soto said through an interpreter.

He came to LVC through a connection with Dr. Rosa Tezanos-Pinto, assistant professor of Spanish, who coordinates the authors program in conjunction with Dickenson College, Allegheny College

and University of Pittsburgh. The program, in its fourth year, has brought international authors to the college for poetry and book readings.

"It's a strange feeling [to hear my poetry in English]," Soto laughed afterwards. "I feel it's better in another language."

After his reading, Soto commented on the recent terror attacks in Madrid. A native of the city of Malaga in southern Spain, he was in the country when the attacks occurred and described the emotions he and his countrymen felt in the hours after the news.

"It was disbelief," he said. "I thought it was a joke. I thought it was a movie." Soto explained that for him, it was not as shocking as Sept. 11 was for the United States, because the surprise factor was not as large, but it was still a huge blow to his country.

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The Spanish flag on Sheridan Avenue. trains during rush hour in Madrid on March 11.

He believes that the attacks were perpetrated by Al-Qaeda, with information provided by the Basque separatist group ETA. Authorities are still unsure of who was behind the attacks, although a group affiliated with Al-Qaeda has claimed responsibility.

## Kansas hate group protest uneventful

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Students of Cedar Crest High School arrived on Monday, March 22, to find members of the Topeka-based Westboro Baptist Church protesting on the school's front lawn. The protesters were demonstrating against the recently-formed Gay/Straight Alliance Club.

In response to the protest, the club sponsored a unity day. Club members sold blue and gray ribbons (Cedar Crest's colors), symbolizing tolerance. The theme for the day was "Although many, we are one."

"The kids used the day in a positive way," said physical education teacher and Gay/Straight Alliance Club co-advisor Kathy McMinn. "The Westboro Baptist Church helped our cause - people saw them for who they really are. Their message speaks for itself, and people rejected it." Senior and Gay/Straight Alliance Club co-founder Josh Basehore concurs. "This was a day for people to open their minds a little bit," he said.

Some students were unimpressed by the protest. "It was pointless. They wasted their time," said junior and Gay/Straight Alliance Club member Joel Morris. Junior Tim Kissinger believed the protest "was a publicity stunt and blown way out of proportion. We gave them attention, which is what they wanted, and it had no real effect."

Other students responded defiantly to the presence of the protesters. Many people sported the phrase "We're Not in Kansas Anymore" on their cars and T-shirts and displayed rainbow flags on cars and book bags.

Basehore acknowledged, "Under normal circumstances, it is best to just ignore these people." But, he added, "This is a completely different situation. They were invading our school with a hateful message, and there is nothing more important than to try and destroy that hateful message."

Twenty-five police officers were on hand during the protest, which began at 7 a.m. and ended 45 minutes later. The WBC protestors, confined to a small pen made with snow fencing, held signs that

read "God Hates Fag Enablers," "Thank God for 9/11" and "Jim in Hell," a reference to the documentary *Jim in Bold* about Cedar Crest graduate Jim Wheeler.

Three 1994 Cedar Crest alumni counter-demonstrated. Confined to a corral similar to Westboro Baptist's, they held signs that read, "We're Not in Kansas Anymore" and "Hate Is Not a Family Value."

The Gay/Straight Alliance Club at Cedar Crest began as a support group for students to talk about sexual orientation concerns. In January, the club received school board approval to become an affiliate of the nationally recognized Gay/Straight Alliance.

Despite the disruption caused by the protest, Cedar Crest students and staff remained optimistic. "I think lots of good came from the protest. We had a lot of supportive phone calls and letters from community groups offering support," said McMinn. "If we can help one kid to feel good about himself, it's worth it."

## Class of 2004 commencement to be held on Rohland Field

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With rumors circulating that graduation would be held indoors this year, limiting seating, the seniors were quite unhappy. Talk of using the new gymnasium for the May 8 ceremony caused at first surprise and then anger. According to Registrar Karen Best, her office began receiving phone calls from students and parents expressing their concerns.

Everyone can now relax, for the final plans for the location of graduation were announced last week, and graduation will not be held indoors. This year, seniors will graduate on Rohland Field, which is better known to some as the football practice field and/or marching band field.

According to Best, the recent winter weather put plans for finishing the resurfacing of the football field behind schedule, therefore not allowing the field to be completed in time for graduation. Administrators then began to search out another location. Though the new gym was a possibility, they decided it was simply not large enough.

With the final decision made, facilities is already at work getting the area near Rohland Field ready. Plans to clean up the marsh area are already underway.

The setup of graduation will be the same as it has been in past years, with seating in two tents on either side of the chairs for the graduates and faculty. There will be about 400 graduates and 100 faculty present.

"Logistically it is a little harder, but otherwise it is very much like previous years," said Best. Plans will be made to get power to the site. Graduates will still line up in Arnold and will then march out on the path over the footbridge to the field.

Seniors can expect to receive more information regarding commencement activities within the next few weeks. The senior class meeting will be held on April 13 at 11 a.m. in Leedy Theater.

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## Wellness Week: Humor boosts health

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How important is humor to our health? According to Dr. William "Willie" R. Klinger, Tuesday's guest speaker as a part of LVC's Wellness Week, it is essential! Using anecdotes, audience participation and a Power Point presentation, Klinger made his point to the audience that humor is an important component of health.

He began his presentation, entitled "Doc Klinger's Healthy Humor Rx," by explaining that the actual definition of humor is rather elusive. One could work hard to define and dissect what makes something funny, but then it would lose its humor.

He then further explained the health benefits of humor by talking about a study that examined the effects on the human body. The results of this study showed that watching only 30 to 60 minutes of a comedy video will cause the body to release chemicals that strengthen and increase immune system efficiency.

In a similar vein, he also discussed the importance of stress management, emphasizing that people, especially college students, shouldn't take themselves too seriously. Things that seem terrible now may actually be funny later, and he put this into an equation - "Crisis + Time = Humor."

As a part of managing stress, Klinger told students that they must care for their own health, making a pun

on the word health (health vs. hellth).

Yet not all humor is good humor, Klinger explained. While good humor brings people together, bad humor tears them apart and hurts feelings. This is the sort of humor that many children and teenagers seem to enjoy, and he explained that unfortunately, many people never mature beyond it.

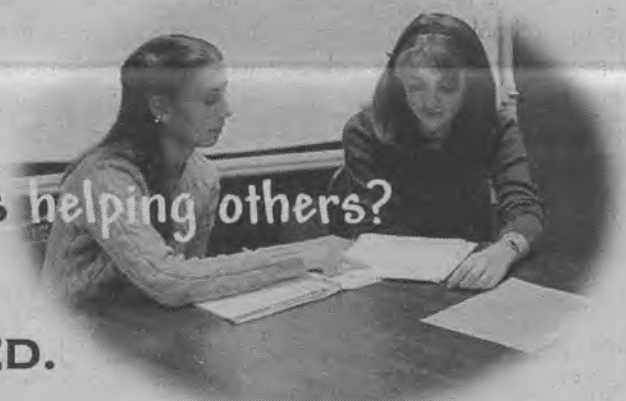
Finally, moving back to the subject of health, Klinger outlined the components of health and how they relate to humor (physical, emotional, social, spiritual and intellectual) and explained that they are all equally important to one's health as a whole.

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## Sixth annual state conference held at LVC

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The National Association for Multicultural Education (NAME) held a conference at LVC the weekend of March 19-20, 2004, to celebrate the golden anniversary of the Brown vs. the Board of Education Supreme Court Case. During that case, the Supreme Court ruled that "separate but equal" schools for blacks and whites are nonexistent. The public schools were later desegregated.

The conference began Friday night

with a speech by Dr. Molefi Asante from the department of African American Studies at Temple University. He stressed the importance of implementing a multicultural curriculum so that all students feel that their heritage is important. He said it is not hard to do. For example, students could read a book written by Maya Angelou or a school could host a multicultural festival.

On Saturday, the Secretary of State of Pennsylvania, Pedro Cortes, said that we all should be proud of our cultural identity but remember that we are all humans. He overcame many obstacles to become a

lawyer and then the Secretary of State. He encouraged the group by stating that with perseverance we can all achieve our dreams.

Various workshops were held on Saturday. Some of the workshop topics were diversity in America, multiculturalism in colleges, gender equity and the Brown vs. the Board of Education Supreme Court case history.

Those who attended the conference were challenged to be more accepting of others and to learn about other cultures and therefore, discover that we are more alike than we had previously thought.



## Colloquium speaker believes humans may become obsolete

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Will the human race be divided into cyborgs and slaves in the next few generations? Dr. Langdon Winner hopes not. Winner came to LVC for a colloquium presentation entitled "Are Humans Obsolete?" - a topic that should raise the eyebrows of any proud member of the human race.

Winner is a professor of political science in the department of Science and Technology Studies at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y. He spoke at LVC on March 22 and described the efforts of many scientists and technology experts to create a super-race of human beings with electronic implants and equipment.

Winner said some scientists desperately want to bring science fiction into reality and are actually theorizing about the future of a radically-altered and less-human humankind; one that is very clearly as much machine as it is flesh and blood.

According to Winner, the proponents of cyborg technology and other science-based improvements like gene enhancement envision a world in which those who can afford it can have perfect, but unnatural bodies. For a price, parents will be able to design their children and make clones of them at will. Genetic deficiencies and personal dissatisfaction with the genes one is given may become a thing of the past, Winner argued, but at a much greater cost than people can possibly imagine.

Some of the supporters of post-human research could be characterized as mindless eccentrics, but many otherwise mainstream scientists are studying the possibilities of

enhancement technology. A scientist in Britain, Dr. Kevin Warwick, has already implanted identical microchips into himself and into his wife in an attempt to achieve telepathy.

Winner claimed that scientists of the 21st century are much more open about admitting that they are playing God with their work on changing the human form through experimentation.

Winner explained what he saw as a horrible fate awaiting the human race if such programs continue to gain support. Within 1,000 years, scientists believe genetic changes and robotic enhancements will create a new species of human that is incapable of mating with normal people; a super-race that will regard normal or natural humans as throwbacks or as animals.

Even more frightening is the fact that the already-existing elites will be in the best position to acquire genetic and robotic enhancements, and will thus be put even farther above poor and middle class people beneath them. The GenRich, as one scientist refers to the new human race to come, will probably treat natural humans as slaves, or merely as useless.

Winner condemned others' efforts to promote gene and robotic enhancement and argued that scientists should instead work to better the environment and the nations in which people live so that all people can experience better physical surroundings. Winner called for a stronger United Nations and supported a massive international effort to redistribute global wealth from the richest to the poorest countries.

Winner stressed that allowing science to be driven purely by profit would only continue to benefit the powerful.

### FIRST SPRING QUITTIE PROJECT A SUCCESS!

I would like to thank Judd Groff, assistant athletic trainer; Rick Beard, assistant athletic director; Mary Gardner, swim coach; Laurel Martin, field hockey coach and the student athletes listed below for participating in the ongoing Quittie Nature Park project on Sunday, March 20. Together, we were able to move several tons of stone to a number of strategic points along the creek to help stabilize creek banks and protect trees from root destruction.

The efforts of many LVC students, faculty and staff volunteers over the years have helped preserve this important part of our community.

We will be returning to the Quittie Park on Dutchman Day for the second spring clean-up project and hope that you will consider helping.

Low Laguna, Psychology Department

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## Around the world in 300 words

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**Internet for all:** President Bush said last Friday that he wants to see affordable high-speed Internet access available to all Americans by 2007. He did not say how this was to happen, but noted that the key would be to make sure that consumers have plenty of choice when it does. Policymakers have debated whether the Universal Service Fund should subsidize Internet access to U.S. homes and whether rules about sharing networks with rivals should also apply to broadband.

**Breaking records:** NASA launched an experimental jet Saturday that recorded a record speed of seven times the speed of sound before plunging into the Pacific Ocean as planned. It is the first time a supersonic-combustion ramjet, which uses air for fuel, had traveled so fast, and scientists hope that future jets like this one will make space travel more affordable. The technology could also reduce the time of commercial air flights.

### French lawyer says he will defend

**Saddam:** Jacques Verges, a French attorney, said Saturday that he received a letter from Saddam's nephew asking him to take the case, and added that 11 other lawyers of various nationalities will work with him. Verges has also defended Nazi war criminal Klaus Barbie, former Yugoslav president Slobodan Milosevic and will also represent former deputy prime minister of Iraq. He plans to call Western leaders who backed Saddam's government during the Iran-Iraq war in the 1980s to testify.

**Fun gets expensive:** Disney theme parks announced Friday that they will be raising the prices of admission tickets at Disneyland and California Resort in California and Walt Disney World in Florida. Both parks began charging an additional \$2.75 for guests over 10 years old on Sunday, making the cost of admission \$49.75 in California and \$54.75 in Florida. Company officials say the increases reflect the costs of investment.

The writer used [www.msnbc.com](http://www.msnbc.com) and [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as sources.

## Author of *Humble Pie* to visit MJ's

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Carol Bonomo, author of *Humble Pie: St. Benedict's Ladder of Humility*, will give a reading of her work at MJ's Coffeehouse on April 3 at 11 a.m. She will also be available for a book signing. The event is free and open to the public.

Bonomo is a lobbyist for a state university in southern California and is a Benedictine oblate-a person vowed to live according to the fourth-century Rule of St. Benedict. In her book, Bonomo focuses on living a life of humility in a world favoring pride. "It's not exactly like I'm an expert on humility," Bonomo writes in her prelude to *Humble Pie*. "Nor could I admit it if I were."

## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Wednesday, March 24, a student catching a Frisbee damaged a lamp pole in the social quad. Damage was estimated at \$100.

\*On Thursday, March 25, a student reported that two tires on his vehicle were deflated, the gas cap was removed and the vehicle was scratched while in the Gold Lot. The gas cap was recovered and the tires inflated. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, March 26, an electronic scale was reported missing from Garber Science Center. The loss was estimated at \$800. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, March 26, a light pole was damaged at the baseball field. Damage was estimated at \$800. Investigation continues.

\*On Monday, March 29, Public Safety assisted a resident director with a domestic incident in Funkhouser Hall.



## LVC reacts to Pollick's leaving

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This past week, news of President G. David Pollick's departure from Lebanon Valley College swept across campus. Neither students nor faculty were given any warning that he would be leaving. Though it was with due cause that the change was kept silent, when it finally was announced, many were shocked.

"I'm just really surprised that he's leaving," said senior Niki Cree. "I didn't even know he was looking!" While some like Cree have never known another college president, the underclassmen will have a unique experience in that they will not only be educated under the reign of President Pollick, but they will also undergo the search for and installation of a new president.

"I hope the next person initiates great change as well," said freshman Angie Undercuffler. "Even though I'm a freshman, I understand he's done a great job at this school."

Many agree with Undercuffler and have been happy with the work President Pollick has done in his eight years at the Valley.

"During his presidency, Dr. Pollick has transformed the architectural and aesthetic appearance of our campus," said English

department chair Marie Bongiovanni. "His achievements include the construction of two new dorms, a new gym and a major upgrade of athletic fields and other facilities."

Sociology professor Laura Bain-Selbo agreed with Bongiovanni. "He has done a lot for the college and for the Annville community," said Bain-Selbo.

However, it's not just Pollick's talents that will be missed here on campus. "David is a very down to earth, likeable guy," said Bain-Selbo. "I was disappointed [to hear he was leaving]." Students agree.

"My first impression of Dr. Pollick was a commendable one," said sophomore Hella Bloom. "I felt he was truly competent as the leader of this fine institution of learning. This opinion has remained unadulterated."

The students and faculty left behind at the Valley do have the search and installation of a new president to look forward to. "Change is not always a bad thing," said sophomore Todd Snovel. "With a new president will come new ideas and a new outlook for college broadening and expansion."

We look forward to our own future and to the future of President Pollick. "The people at Birmingham are lucky to have him," said Bain-Selbo.

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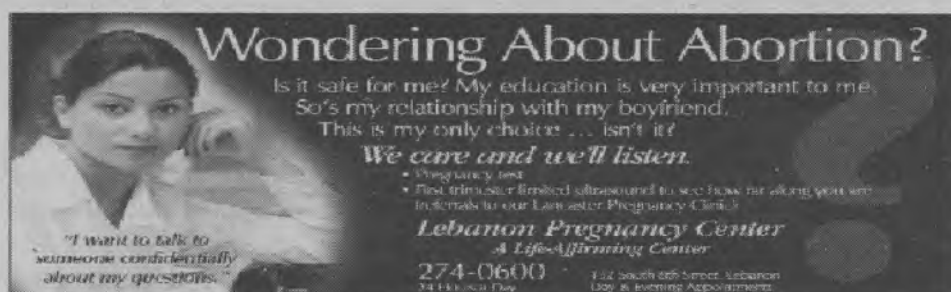
## Thoughts from the editors

We hope everyone had a chance to enjoy the beautiful weather last weekend. It may have been raining during part of this week, but all the signs are saying that spring is finally on its way.

This week's issue is full of campus news, including a graduation update, coverage of several events and speakers and a reaction to the news of President Pollick's leaving for Birmingham-Southern College. If you see something that catches your interest, let us hear your opinion by e-mailing us at [lvclavie@yahoo.com](mailto:lvclavie@yahoo.com).

Several staff positions remain open for the 2004-5 school year, and writers are always needed. If you have any interest in writing, editing, photography or layout, we'd love to hear from you. Come to a meeting to see what we're all about on Mondays at 6 p.m. in the *La Vie* office, located in the basement of the College Center. If you can't make it, drop us an e-mail and we'll be sure to get back to you.

*La Vie* will not be printing next week, April 8, due to Easter break. Have a wonderful break and we'll see you again on April 15!



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## Lenny the Leopard

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Throughout LVC's history, mischievous students have managed to fool other college members with well-thought out pranks. Back around 1911-12, a group of males stole a couple of chickens from two professors' backyards and then held a barbecue in honor of those instructors. Unbeknownst to them, the two professors were actually being served their own stolen poultry. Even before the end of World War II, upperclassmen, faculty members and Annville residents would annually stage a murder trial on campus as a way of welcoming each freshmen class into the college community.

Most of these mentioned pranks faded as time went on, except for one involving a stuffed leopard named Lenny that carried on until his mysterious disappearance in the 1990s. Lenny's story is not an easy one to tell because the information on him is either missing or extremely vague. However, what the college does know is that Lenny was a popular item for pranksters to steal.

According to Greg Stanson, vice president of enrollment and student services, Dr. William N. Martin, a 1918 graduate of LVC, donated a stuffed leopard to the college that he had shot and killed in Sierra Leone, West Africa. The year which Martin presented the gift to the college is unknown, but it is safe to say that the donation of the leopard

occurred before the late 1950s.

As a student at LVC, Stanson recalled meeting Martin several times when the graduate would come to back to campus to visit and to see if the college still owned the leopard. "Lenny was the prized possession," said Stanson.

Lenny's first home was in the Tyrone Biological Museum, located on the third floor of the Administration Building (known today as Humanities). According to Paul A.W. Wallace, author of *Lebanon Valley College: A Centennial History*, Lenny disappeared one night from the museum. Lenny remained missing for a short time until one morning a police officer spotted a very large and strange-looking object on the steps of the old post office in Lebanon. The officer, not knowing that the leopard was stuffed and obviously harmless, immediately got out of his police cruiser and pulled out his gun. Of course, the joke was on him. After Lenny returned home to LVC, president-at-the-time Dr. George D. Gossard appointed a bodyguard to monitor the museum at night.

In the late 1950s, the college renovated an old shoe factory and turned it into the new science building (known today as Derickson Hall). The college moved Lenny to that building and he remained there until 1984, where he was then placed in Garber Science Center. Stanson said that Lenny moved around a lot in the 1980s and then into the 1990s. At times, Lenny was seen sitting on the steps outside of the Humanities Building and at other times, he was at the top of a flagpole.

### HyPE sponsors events

#### HyPE Sponsors Political Expert to Speak on the Presidential Election

Charlie Gerow, founder of Quantum Communications in Harrisburg, will lecture here in April on "Pennsylvania and the 2004 Election: Perspectives and Predictions." An attorney, college professor, public advocate, television commentator and former Congressional candidate, Gerow has been in the public eye for more than 20 years. His talk, which is free and open to the public, will be on Tuesday, April 6, at 7 p.m. in Faust Lounge of the Mund College Center. Gerow is sponsored by the Lebanon Valley College History, Political Science and Economics Club (HyPE). He has appeared on every major national network and has been featured on CNN's Inside Politics, and on National Public Radio. Currently, he is the regular analyst and commentator for CBS-21 WHP TV on Tuesdays and Sundays at 5 p.m. He will discuss the upcoming presidential election and the major issues surrounding the national presidential election this year.

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"MARTIN"

William N. Martin, the alumnus who donated Lenny to LVC, is pictured here in the 1918 Quittapahilla Yearbook. He was known to his classmates as a good sportsman who enjoyed deer hunting.

Stanson said that one day after returning from lunch, he discovered Lenny sitting on his office floor in Wagner House. Lenny was also on display in Faust Lounge before going into storage in the basement of Wagner House.

The only problem, though, is that Lenny mysteriously disappeared from storage in the 1990s. To this day, no one knows what happened to the leopard. He just disappeared like he did in the past. Could it have been another prank? No one really knows. So, the legend of Lenny the leopard continues to puzzle the college community.



Did Lenny the Leopard graduate? In the 1991 Quittapahilla Yearbook, he is seen dressed in full cap and gown during commencement ceremonies.



## Local Republican candidates hold debate on LVC campus

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There are clear differences between some politicians, even among fellow party members. That's the feeling voters received from the March 25 political debate in Lutz Auditorium. Sponsored by the LVC Republican Club, the debate featured four of the six candidates running for the GOP nomination for the 17th Congressional District in the United States Congress.

The debaters included Harrisburg attorney Mark Stewart; Gen. Bill Lynch, former Adjutant General of the Pennsylvania National Guard; Sue Helm, a local businesswoman and Col. Frank Ryan, a retired Marine commander and CPA.

The two absentee candidates, Scott Paterno and Ron Hostetler, had different reasons for not attending: LVC Republicans say Paterno said he had a previously scheduled engagement and Hostetler said he was celebrating his wedding anniversary.

Even without a full load of six candi-

dates, the debate was lively, informative and interesting.

A panel of three students asked each candidate a series of questions and gave the other three a chance to rebut. Another member of the Republican Club moderated the debate, although little moderation was necessary and the candidates were fairly respectful of their opponents.

The questions focused on topics including foreign oil dependency, transportation funding, congressional spending, the prescription drug benefit, No Child Left Behind, Bush's immigration plan and homeland security. Most of the candidates seemed to be well-informed, although some answers seemed a bit evasive and repetitive.

Mark Stewart seemed particularly sure about his positions on key issues and came out of the debate sounding like a moderate Republican, but demonstrated a strong commitment to protecting the social and moral values of the area. He argued for oil drilling in Alaska, but also supported improvements to public transportation. He argued for more money and more local and state control for Bush's No Child Left

Behind program.

Bill Lynch sounded firm and committed and took a few swipes at his fellow candidates when he had the opportunity. He generally supported cutting government spending on non-defense related programs, but seemed to support using the federal government to finance road improvements and industrial growth. He also supported using Alaskan oil reserves to offset the growing cost of fuel.

Sue Helm tried to use her experience as the manager of a small business to her advantage, but might have overused it as well. When asked about how she would create jobs, Helm said she had found jobs for about 20 people in her career at Blue Shield and in her realty company, but did not explain how finding jobs for 20 was comparable to finding jobs for 200,000. She also made an apparent gaffe by openly supporting the Patriot Act, saying that "we are in a time of war, and it's sometimes necessary to trade liberty for security."

Finally, Frank Ryan probably departed the most from the other candidates by taking several stands in opposition to Bush's

policies, most notably in his opposition to Bush's immigration plan and to No Child Left Behind. Ryan was not afraid to say two words: free markets. He said he supported free market solutions for the energy crisis, the transportation crisis, the job crisis, and the healthcare crisis, arguing for much less bureaucracy, red tape and government regulation of the business world. Ryan also called for a 2 percent federal spending cut for each fiscal year.

The debate lasted only an hour, but the breadth of material the candidates covered was immense. The Republican Club held the event for the benefit of the LVC community, and club president Chad Schreier said he felt LVC was the perfect place to host a debate of such prevalent issues. He also mentioned that the Republican Club had to contact Paterno and Hostetler twice, because neither candidate responded to the first invitation to the debate. All four candidates who debated on March 25 responded to the club the day after invitations were sent.

The Republican primary will be held on April 27.

## New President steers college towards the next century

*This week's historical article, printed on Sept. 11, 1996, highlights the appointment of G. David Pollick as President of LVC. Just a short time ago, President Pollick announced he will be leaving the Lebanon Valley community at the end of the academic year to assume the presidency of Birmingham-Southern College. In the article, Pollick highlights his past experiences, his personal aims, as well as his goals and aspirations for the campus community. Read on for more information.*

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When the writer walks into the new president's cozy office on the first floor of the Humanities Building, she is surprised that Dr. G. David Pollick is just the medium height, friendly man who played volleyball beside her two days ago. He still has that intimate, casual smile on his face, though this time, he is in a shirt and tie.

The president smiles when he recalls the game at the C.R.O. Pizza and Volleyball party. "I love this game. I like the feeling of being out there with the students, of being accepted by them," he says. Actually, he explained

that this is why he left his post as the co-Chief Executive Officer and President of the Art Institute of Chicago and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and came to this small college.

Dr. Pollick explained that he graduated from a small university in San Diego. He always loved the friendly atmosphere in small colleges, where teachers know each other and students and the staffs are closer. Though he was working in big institutions like the Art Institute of Chicago, he always felt that one day he would like to go back to a smaller school. As he says: "Teaching should not only happen inside the classroom but also out in the sports fields,



and the lawns, in the dining room and anywhere in this community. I hope the students can be not only academically good but also physically strong and mentally mature. Sitting in the sofa in

the office is not enough, I have to be among the students to feel who they are and what they want."

Dr. Pollick was chosen out of the 140 candidates to be the college's 16th president, replacing John A. Synodinos in the spring. Dr. Pollick explains why the college selected him in this way: "I was chosen because my goals and interests match the school's." He says his ambition as a president is very personal: to fulfill his own happiness and find out who he is and how much he can accomplish. He wants to find out his value through the work. Can he lead a college to greater prosperity? Can he extend the school's reputation or raise funds to improve the facilities? Will the life of the students be enriched while he is here? All these goals he set for himself match the school's interest. "It is not right to force somebody into something. Passion is an essential factor for doing the job well." So far, Dr. Pollick comments, he has not met any obstacles in fulfilling his goals because the community mostly shares the same value. "There are challenges, which is expected, but not barriers."

Dr. Pollick looks back upon his years at universities as a time to turn



Dr. G. David Pollick, Lebanon Valley College's 16th president. Courtesy of College Relation.

from an immature high school kid into an adult who knows his responsibility. He says this is a time for him to make mistakes and learn from them. The school provides the youngsters such a good place to learn and experiment that everyone should appreciate it and treasure it, because not everybody has the chance. Do not just run through the days. Broaden our eyesight and find who we are and what we want to do.



**LVC's Scores:  
3/24-3/29****Men's tennis:**

3/24 at Widener W, 5-2  
3/27 at Messiah W, 5-2  
3/28 at King's W, 7-0

Record: 6-0

CC Record: 3-0

**Baseball:**

3/24 vs. Delaware Valley L, 4-13  
3/26 vs. Moravian L, 0-2  
3/27 at Moravian L, 5-6  
3/27 at Moravian L, 6-8  
3/28 vs. Widener L, 7-8  
3/28 vs. Widener W, 7-5

Record: 4-10

CC Record: 1-5

**Softball:**

3/25 at Rowan L, 1-3  
3/25 at Rowan L, 0-1  
3/27 at Juniata W, 2-1  
3/27 at Juniata W, 6-5  
3/28 vs. Widener W, 8-0  
3/28 vs. Widener L, 2-7

Record: 5-9

CC Record: 3-1

**Outdoor track:**

3/27 at Susquehanna

Men: non-scoring

Women: non-scoring

**Coming up  
this week****Today:**

Softball vs. Dickinson (DH), 3 p.m.

**Friday:**

Baseball at Juniata, 3 p.m.

Golf at Moravian, 12:30 p.m.

Men's tennis at F&amp;M, 3:30 p.m.

**Saturday:**

Baseball vs. Juniata (DH), noon

Softball vs. Susq. (DH), 1 p.m.

Golf at Messiah, noon

Track vs. LVC Invitational, 1 p.m.

Men's tennis at Susq., 1:00 p.m.

**Monday:**

Baseball vs. Neumann, 3 p.m.

Golf vs. LVC Tournament, 12:30 p.m.

**Tuesday:**

Baseball vs. York, 3:30 p.m.

Softball at Messiah (DH), TBA

Men's tennis vs. Scranton, 4 p.m.

**Wednesday:**

Golf at Elizabethtown, noon

Track vs. LVC Quad-meet, 3:30 p.m.

**Nyman breaks hammer  
record at Susquehanna**

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Junior Mitch Nyman broke the school record in the hammer at the Susquehanna Invitational on Saturday, while several other Dutchmen turned in impressive performances as well.

Nyman finished eighth in the hammer with a throw of 122-11 to break the record of 119-9 set in 1998.

Freshman Alan Newsome recorded solid performances in both the 100 and 200 meter dashes. He finished seventh in the preliminaries with a time of 11.36 seconds, and lowered his time to 11.28 seconds in the finals for fifth place. In the 200, Newsome also finished fifth, recording a time of 22.88 seconds, faster than the indoor record of 23.12 seconds he set just a month ago.

Junior Matt Hauk also recorded double fifth place finishes, with a 16.04 second clocking in the 100 meter hurdles and a 57.59 second showing in the 400 meter hurdles. Sophomore

Jimmy Buckson took seventh in the pole vault, clearing 12-6.

On the women's side, junior Crystal Gibson led the way, placing in four events. She cleared 5-5 in the high jump to finish second, and also finished fifth in the 100 meter dash with a time of 13.01 seconds. In the 200 meter dash, Gibson placed fifth again with a time of 26.71 seconds, and also anchored the 4x100 team of sophomores LaToya Stewart and Kelly Hilkert and freshman Jamie Reynolds to a sixth place showing in 51.85 seconds.

Hilkert also finished fifth in the 400 hurdles, clocking a time of 1:09.64. Stewart tied for seventh in the high jump, clearing 5-0, and also earned a second place finish in triple jump with a leap of 34-11. Senior Lisa Landis placed sixth in the triple jump with a 33-5 1/2 leap.

The meet was non-scoring.

The Dutchmen return to action on Saturday with the LVC Invitational, and will also compete the following Wednesday, April 7, at LVC.

**Softball wins  
three of four**

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help herself once again, and Amy Batz went 2-for-3.

The three-game tear came to an end, though, in the twilight of the Widener doubleheader. The Dutchmen lost that one 7-2 after the Pioneers exploded for seven runs in the final three innings. Sophomore pitcher Alisa Albers pitched four scoreless innings before giving up three runs in the fifth.

LVC improved to 5-9 overall and have a 3-1 Commonwealth record, with all of their games coming over the weekend.

The team will play four more games at home in the next three days, with a twinbill scheduled against Dickinson today at 3 p.m. and a return to conference play with a Susquehanna doubleheader at 1 p.m. Saturday.

**The Valley Tally:  
Roberts honored; Golf wins****Roberts named Commonwealth Pitcher of the Week**

Freshman pitcher Jenn Roberts of the softball team has been named the Commonwealth Conference Pitcher of the Week after a dominating performance over her last four games. Roberts threw a 6.1 inning no-hitter against Rowan last Thursday, but took the 1-0 loss on a fluke error in the bottom on the seventh. She picked up her first career win Saturday against Juniata, 2-1, striking out 11 in a five-hit complete game. In her final game of the week, Roberts tossed a one-hit, five inning complete game shutout in an 8-0 win over Widener, striking out nine. Roberts compiled a 1.15 ERA for the week.

**Golf takes first place at Dickinson Invitational**

The LVC golf team took first place March 23 at the Dickinson Invitational thanks to junior Ryan Ogurcak's tournament-low 76. The Dutchmen beat seven other teams with their 314 stroke combined score. Senior Bob Hassler also played exceptionally well, shooting a 77 to finish in a tie for third. Freshman Steve Thomas also made it into the top 10 with a 79, good for sixth. Senior Adam Demchak and sophomore Mike McNeff each shot 82 for 15th place, while sophomore Max Linn shot a 99.

**Athletes of the Week**

Freshman pitcher **Jenn Roberts** of the softball team tossed a no-hitter against Rowan and a 1-hitter against Widener in earning Commonwealth Pitcher of the Week honors.



Senior center-fielder **Jeff Grieger** went 4-for-5 with three runs, two RBIs, and a walk in baseball's double-header split with Widener on Sunday.

Photos courtesy of Sports Information

**Campus News****Students frustrated by Mund computer lab**

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Students who frequent the computer lab in Mund may have noticed that the facility has been having some difficulties - the computers are slow, and the printer has recently been out of service. For students who are trying to complete assignments, this can be a real inconvenience. And for those who just want to quickly check their e-mail, it can take longer than expected. Can students expect these problems to be corrected soon?

According to Mike Zeigler, director of Client Services (the group that maintains the lab), problems with the printer should soon be resolved. Students should alert the front desk if

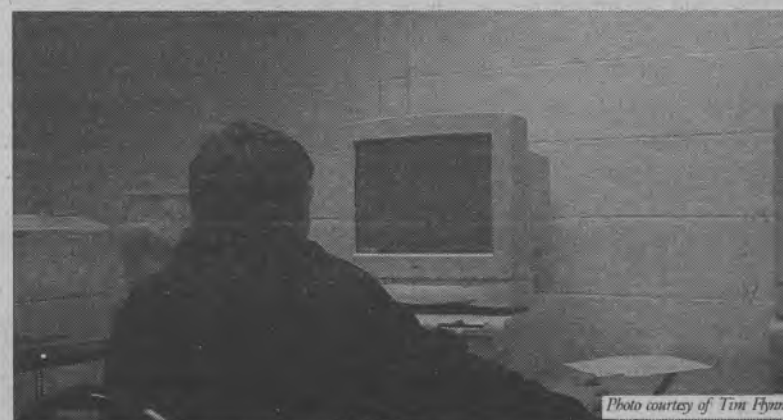


Photo courtesy of Tim Hyatt

**Junior Chad Schreier waits for his computer to log on in Mund.**

future problems arise, since a back-up printer is available for use.

As for any upgrading of the computers in the lab, Zeigler explained that the general lab in Lynch is the first priority for getting new computers. The old computers from Lynch are then moved to Mund, although they do receive software updates.

This is because the lab in Lynch has more users than Mund.

However, students can expect to see new e-mail-only kiosks appearing on campus. These will be located in the general lab in Lynch, Mund, and the Bishop Library. These stations will allow students to check their e-mail quickly and efficiently since they will not have to log in at all.



## Baseball snaps six-game skid with Widener win

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It took them six conference games, but the LVC baseball team finally got their first taste of Commonwealth victory Sunday in the second game of a doubleheader against Widener at McGill Baseball Park.

It was first-year coach Keith Evans' first-ever conference win. The Dutchmen split the doubleheader with the Pioneers on an unseasonably warm and cloudless afternoon that was perfect for baseball.

Widener took the first game of



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

**Junior Chris Denlinger picked up the win for LVC on Sunday.**

the twinbill 8-7 despite a furious Dutchmen rally in the bottom of the seventh that nearly took the game into extra innings.

Down by three heading into the final inning, the Dutchmen managed to start something with one out when senior Jeff Grieger and junior Craig Denlinger sin-

gled and then advanced on an error. Sophomore Jon Kelly hit into a sacrifice fly in deep center to score Grieger and the rally was on. Freshman Jared Smith's single two at-bats later scored Denlinger, but junior Ron Weaver struck out to end the inning and the comeback.

Sophomore pitcher Dennis Reilly took the loss, giving up 9 hits and 8 runs in 6 innings of work.

The second game was a reversal for the Dutchmen, who led from the start. They took a 5-0 lead into the sixth before Widener began a comeback attempt of their own, scoring a pair of runs to cut the LVC lead to 3. The Dutchmen answered in the bottom of the inning, though, with Grieger scoring freshman Dan Kelly on a sacrifice fly to left and junior Scott Montgomery scoring on a throwing error.

The Pioneers wouldn't go quietly, scoring three more in the top of the seventh before sophomore Taylor Sgrignoli struck out the final batter looking to wrap up the save.

Denlinger picked up the win in the second game and improved to 1-1 after giving up 5 hits and 2 runs in 5.2 innings.

The Dutchmen improved to 4-10 overall and 1-5 in the Commonwealth.

They return to McGill on Saturday for a doubleheader against conference foes Juniata at noon.

## Softball grabs three out of four over the weekend

### Roberts tosses 1-hit gem in 8-0 victory vs. Widener



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

**Junior first baseman Chris Jessen had 2 RBIs in LVC's 8-0 win in the first game of their doubleheader Sunday against Widener.**

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After a rough start to the season, the softball team has gotten back on track by winning three out of four games in a pair of doubleheaders last weekend.

LVC competed on Saturday against Juniata to open up their conference slate, then played another doubleheader on Sunday

afternoon against Widener.

The Dutchmen swept Juniata on Saturday in a pair of one-run ballgames, winning 2-1 in the first game and 6-5 in the nightcap.

Freshman Jenn Roberts picked up her first collegiate victory with a five-hit complete game in the first contest, while classmate Kelly O'Toole held the Eagles to three runs in 5.1 innings to get the win in the second game.

In the first game, all three runs were scored in the second inning, with LVC drawing first blood. Roberts helped herself with a one-out RBI single to score junior Melissa Ulrich. Junior Gina Battistelli followed that up with an RBI fielder's choice, advancing junior Chris Jessen to the plate to make it 2-0. The Eagles pulled a run back in the bottom of the inning, but LVC held on to win thanks to Roberts, who retired 14 of the final 15 batters.

In the second game against Juniata, LVC ran out to a 5-1 lead but had to endure a Juniata comeback in the final two innings. The Eagles scored two in the bottom of the sixth to make it 5-3, but junior Ilyse Resnick scored on a wild pitch in the top of the seventh inning to pad LVC's lead and hold onto the win despite a 2-run bottom of the seventh from Juniata.

On Sunday, LVC stormed out of the gate in their first game against Widener, knocking in five runs in the first inning. Roberts pitched another spectacular game, going 5 innings and giving up just one hit and two walks while fanning nine.

The Dutchmen kept it going, banging in three more in the bottom of the fifth to invoke the eight-run mercy rule and take their third straight win. Roberts went 3-for-3 with two RBIs to

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## Men's tennis runs record to 6-0 with King's win

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The men's tennis team is out to prove that last season's trip to the MAC Championship match was no fluke. They've done that in a big way early on this season, winning their first six in a row after a perfect 7-0 win at King's College on Sunday afternoon.

No Dutchmen player lost a set as they improved to 6-0 on the season with the non-conference victory.



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

**Senior Chris Keeney won his match at No. 2 against King's.**

LVC started the day by sweeping the doubles matches, with senior Ryan Wendell and freshman Stuart Hartman teaming up for an 8-6 No. 1 doubles win and freshman Erik Vargo and senior Andy Platt and the team of senior Chris Keeney and freshman Saming Rattanvongkoth each earning 8-4 wins as well.

In singles action, the Dutchmen dominated. Vargo and Platt each won at No. 3 and No. 4 singles, respectively, pushing their season records to 6-0. Junior Zach Cook earned a 6-4,

6-2 win at No. 6 singles to improve to 5-0.

In the top two spots, Wendell beat Eric Calabrese 6-3, 6-1 at No. 1 and Keeney defeated Jason Sellemi 6-1, 6-3 at No. 2.

Hartman rounded out the singles action, winning 6-0, 6-2 in the fifth spot.

King's fell to 0-7 in the loss. Results of the team's matches against Eastern on Tuesday and Juniata on Wednesday were not available in time for this edition.

The men's tennis team will return to action Friday when they

take on Franklin & Marshall in Lancaster at 3:30 p.m.

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- \* La Vie's picks for Athletes of the Week
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## Can you hear us now?

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It's not too late to let your silence be heard. On Wednesday, April 21, Lebanon Valley College will join more than 2,000 schools, colleges and universities across the United States in the eighth annual National Day of Silence. Participating students vow to remain speechless for nine hours, using only speaking cards to convey their message of the protest. The silence - a form of passive resistance - echoes and denounces the silence imposed on gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth who are silenced by discrimination. The event provides an opportunity for GLBT and straight students to work as a coalition to promote dignity and respect for all. In the eight years since its inception, the Day of Silence has become the largest student-led action to promote a safe and healthy educational environment for GLBT students.

The National Day of Silence emerged as the result of a college freshman's homework assignment. In 1996, University of Virginia student Maria Pulzetti wrote a paper for a history

class outlining the value of non-violent protest and grassroots organizing. After reading her own words, Pulzetti decided to organize a non-violent protest on her university campus to condemn discrimination against GLBT students. Pulzetti recruited 150 UVA undergrads to take part in that first Day of Silence campaign. Local press picked up the story, and the community responded in a surprisingly positive manner. Encouraged by the first year's resounding success, Pulzetti enlisted the help of friends and colleagues and took her idea to nearly 100 college and university campuses across the nation. The following year participation doubled to 200 schools with Day of Silence events. In only eight years, Pulzetti's brainchild has grown into a whopping 2,000-school event across the nation with hundreds of thousands of participants. Students in Belgium and Australia have begun Day of Silence campaigns in their own countries.



## DAY of SILENCE

Courtesy of Vanessa Marinkov

LVC's Freedom Rings organization invites the entire faculty, staff and student body to hit the mute button at 8 a.m. on April 21. For detailed instructions on participating in the event, e-mail LVC's Freedom Rings' president Ryan Kitko at rkitko@lvc.edu. An all-campus "breaking the silence" celebration is scheduled for 5 p.m. on the Social Quad outside the Mund College Center. Following the celebration, the Multicultural Leadership Roundtable will conduct a town meeting on sexuality to be held in the West Dining Hall at 5:30 p.m.

## Festival activities to come to LVC

Courtesy of College Relations

Lebanon Valley College will welcome the community to its second annual Cherry Blossom Festival from Friday afternoon, April 16, to Sunday, April 18. Throughout the weekend, there will be a variety of children's activities, vendors and multi-ethnic music performances on campus. Although the event is free and open to the public, tickets will be available on campus to purchase food and other items, and there is a \$15 admission fee to the Saturday evening concert in the Arnold Sports Center. The festival celebrates LVC's extensive collection of cherry trees.

The daytime events begin with music on Friday, April 16, from 4:30 to 6 p.m. on the gazebo stage on the Social Quad outside of the Mund College Center. On Saturday and Sunday, the festival's daytime events start at 11 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. Concerts are set for both Friday and Saturday evenings at 8 in the Arnold Sports Center.

Beginning at 11 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday, children are invited to enjoy a variety of activities, including an educational, interactive show from Hershey's ZOOAMERICA, starring live animals, and the Popcorn Hat Players Children's Theatre from Harrisburg, whose actors encourage children to "help" tell the story. Adults and children of all ages may try their hand at sand art or enjoy the inflatable games.

Funnel cakes, cheese steaks, quesadillas, sausage, hamburgers, hot dogs and many more food items will be available for purchase with 50-cent and \$1 tickets that will be sold at designated tables. Craft vendors will accept monetary payment.

To showcase a variety of bands from other cultures, there will be three outdoor stages set up in various areas of campus. In order not to disturb the community in the evening, all of these bands will perform during the day. On hand will be the Brazilian band Amor Tropical, African and Irish dance groups, the Latin band Azucar, a Jamaican band and Iota Phi Theta's step group. Additional music will be provided by LVC bands.

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## Suspects attempt art gallery break-in

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Two unidentified individuals tried to break into the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery on Sunday, April 4 at approximately 10 p.m. Investigators believe the same individuals tried to break in again late Monday night or early Tuesday morning.

Residents of Derickson Hall A saw two people trying to open the south door of the gallery on Sunday and called Public Safety. An officer interviewed the students and searched the area but did not find the suspects. Then on Tuesday morning, a Public Safety officer on routine patrol noticed pry marks on the south and east doors of the gallery.

"We are taking some extra security steps," said Al Yingst, Director of Public Safety. "We are increasing our visibility in the area and we shared our information with the Annville police. We asked the gallery director to take inventory, and there was nothing missing." Because the alarm did not sound, officials believe the suspects did not gain access to the building.

"The only step we took afterwards was to take an inventory of the objects in storage and in the Gallery to be sure that nothing had been disturbed or removed," said Scott Schweigert, Director of the Suzanne H. Arnold Art Gallery and Assistant Professor of Art and Art History. "The Gallery has a sophisticated security system for the building, storage and the Gallery space. The alarm is always set whenever the

building is not occupied or the Gallery is closed. When the Gallery is open, trained attendants are always in place to monitor the space."

Public Safety is operating under the assumption that the suspects "think there's valuable art worth stealing in the gallery." There have been no other reports this week.

The suspects are male and of average height and build. They were wearing dark clothing, and one had a hooded sweatshirt. Public Safety is encouraging anyone with information to come forward. "If anyone knows anything about the incident, we would like them to come forward," said Yingst. "We would also like to encourage residents to watch for any suspicious persons or activities in the area."





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# Cherry Blossom Festival continued

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The nighttime entertainment features cover bands from the '80s and '90s, an Aerosmith Tribute band and Herbie. Those concerts begin at 8 in the Arnold Sports Center. Admission to the Arnold Sports Center is open to the public for \$15, but space is limited. Alumni may attend for \$12.



The cherry blossoms on campus began blooming last weekend, with perfect timing for this weekend's Cherry Blossom Festival. Although these trees look a little soggy for the moment, LVC should see plenty of sunshine for the weekend's activities and students should enjoy much warmer weather, with temperatures in the upper 60s and lower 70s.

## Cherry Blossom Festival 2004

### Friday, April 16 - Sunday, April 18

### Concert Schedule

## Friday

### Gazebo Stage

4:30-6 p.m., Markelsaurus

### Arnold Sports Center

8 p.m., Hair Force One ('80s cover)

9:30 p.m., Draw The Line (Aerosmith tribute)

## Saturday

### Mund College Center Stage

11 a.m., Stu Kennedy Jazz

Noon, Kathleen Turner Overdrive

1 p.m., Markelsaurus

2 p.m., Freddie Long

3 p.m., Emberfall

4 p.m., Johnny Action Figure

5 p.m., Uncle Skip

### Chapel Stage

Noon, Azucar (Latin dance band)

1 p.m., Imani (African dance)

2 p.m., LVC Step Squad

3 p.m., Masayo Ishigure & Koto Society (Japanese)

4 p.m., RICK\*C

5 p.m., Anthony Lattaze Band

### Arnold Sports Center

8 p.m., Herbie

9:30 p.m., PopShop ('90s cover)

## Sunday

### Mund College Center Stage

11 a.m., Evensong

12:30 p.m., LVC Jazz Band

1 p.m., LVC Jazz Band

2 p.m., Vintage Road

3 p.m., Wylkd Stallynz

4 p.m., GlowRed

5 p.m., Lost in the Flood

### Chapel Stage

Noon, Blue Corduroy

1 p.m., H.I.S.

2 p.m., Irish Dancers

3 p.m., Concert Choir inside Miller Chapel

4 p.m., Verdict (Reggae/Soca)

5:15 p.m., AmorTropical (Brazilian)

All show times are subject to change.

Evening concert admission: Wristbands are required for all LVC students, alumni and pre-registered guests for access to Arnold Sports Center arena across the railroad bridge. Admission for students is \$10 per person with the public entrance located at the entrance to the Heilman Center.



# Around the world in 300 words

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## Smart cars to warn drowsy drivers:

Volvo, owned by the Ford Motor Co., said last Wednesday that it is developing technology that could help sleepy drivers stay awake on the roads, although the feature is still several years away. Infiniti has also said that it will introduce lane-departure warning systems, using a small camera, speed sensor and warning buzzer, in late 2005. Four percent of fatal accidents are caused by drowsy driving, while 55 percent are caused when cars veer from their lanes unintentionally.

## Maybe kids should play video games:

A study done by Beth Israel Medical Center has shown that doctors who spent at least three hours a week playing video games made 37 percent fewer mistakes in laparoscopic surgery and performed the surgery 27 percent faster than doctors who did not play video games. The surgery involves using a tiny video camera controlled by joysticks outside the body, and can be used for almost any part of the body.

## New telescope to scan universe:

Eighteen years of work will come to an end this week when astronomers at the

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill power up a world-class telescope on top of South America's Andes Mountains. The telescope's advantages are that it is away from pollution and city lights, and there is little wind or rain. It has infrared instruments and will provide the clearest possible views of space, rivaling the Hubble telescope.

**McCain says 'no':** Senator John McCain insisted on Sunday that he would under no circumstances join John Kerry's ticket. Despite policy differences that McCain shares with President Bush, McCain said that his loyalty lies with the Republican Party and he will vote for Bush in the fall. Last month, McCain said that if Kerry asked him to join the Democratic ticket, he would "entertain" the idea.

**Cheney supports Japan:** Vice President Dick Cheney praised Japan's prime minister for not giving in to pressure to pull his troops from Iraq, despite the kidnapping of three Japanese civilians there. Analysts say that if Japan were to give in, it could lead to a larger retreat by other coalition partners. In addition to the three Japanese prisoners, seven Chinese, two Arabs and one American have been kidnapped.

The author used [www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com) as a source.

## CAPTURE THE TIMES

*New York Times Magazine* has launched its "Capture the Times" photography contest for college students.

The contest invites undergraduate and graduate students from around the country to submit a photo essay or portfolio reflecting the way we now live.

The contest is open to work created in the past year and never published.

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April 19, 2004

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## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Monday, March 29, a racial slur was written on a student's vehicle rear window in the Silver parking lot at the corner of Route 934 and Sheridan Avenue. Investigation continues. Anyone with information is asked to call Public Safety at ext. 6111.

\*On Wednesday, March 31, a hand rail at the center steps leading to Hammond Hall was damaged. Investigation continues.

\*On Sunday, April 4, the Annville Township Police Department requested assistance at a party involving college students on Sheridan Avenue.

\*On Sunday, April 4, a suspicious person report was investigated in the Derickson Hall area. No subjects were located.

\*On Monday, April 5, a room heater fire was reported in Funkhouser hall. Students were evacuated and the problem was resolved. There were no injuries.

\*On Tuesday, April 6, there was an unsuccessful attempt to pry open the doors of the Arnold Art Gallery. Investigation continues.

\*On Wednesday, April 7, two males were reported acting suspiciously near the grounds shop. No individuals were located upon investigation.

\*On Wednesday, April 7, two male commuter students were yelling at female students and acting in a disorderly manner. They were asked to leave campus and complied. Investigation is ongoing.

\*On Saturday, April 10, someone tried unsuccessfully to gain illegal access to the MAC machine in the College Center. Investigation continues with bank security.

## 2004 STUDY ABROAD PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS



**MOST SCENIC ~ New Zealand**  
Entered by Kim McCann



**MOST abstract ~ Italy**  
Entered by Kate Ruhl



**Viewer's choice ~ Paris**  
Entered by Matt Magnotta



**MOST amusing ~ New Zealand**  
Entered by Chris Greever



**'Winks' and 'secret hand gestures' – a conversation about Asperger's**

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*Editor's note: The first part of this story runs in this week's issue, with the second part to run in next week's issue.*

Asperger's Syndrome is a disability that has gone under the radar for quite some time. In the past, Asperger's has been grouped under the category of "autism," however, only recently have researchers been able to further classify it. What they have found, according to Jason, is that Asperger's is a "high-functioning" form of autism.

According to Rosalyn Lord, the coordinator of a disability support group in England, people diagnosed with Asperger's generally are "reluctant to accept change and have difficulties with both verbal and nonverbal communication." They also tend to be extremely interested in certain areas and generally excel in the maths and sciences.

The following conversation is an attempt to raise awareness on LVC's campus about Asperger's Syndrome. Jason Porta, an LVC junior with Asperger's, agreed to speak with me about his disability. Jason's roommate, freshman Jamie Moore, agreed to participate as well so that both of them could recount their experience living together this year. This story focuses on Jason's character and vibrant personality, as well as his difficulties, successes and overall feelings regarding his disability.

**Greg** - When you were diagnosed with Asperger's, and in what ways has it affected your life?

**Jason** - I was diagnosed when I was a senior in high school. My childhood physician had just attended a conference and discovered I had met virtually every single criterion.

**Greg** - What would you say has been the most difficult part about having Asperger's, and being in college?

**Jason** - Just the ins and outs aspect of it. Just trying to learn the ins and out of the social world.

**Jamie** - He's come really far too. He's more sociable ... It's been a big change. In the beginning of the year it'd be like a small room. It'd be pretty quiet. But now, he gets there, and it's the J-Man show.

**Jason** - I am known so widely as the J-Man that my sticker on the door specifically reads J-Man.

**Greg** - So it seems like you're really finding a niche for yourself. But how would you guys say this year gone? How has it been getting to know each other? I mean, has anything changed since the beginning of the year?

**Jason** - It's been a really interesting experi-

ence. It's something really new for me. I mean, I'm 23, but I'm an incoming transfer. This ... is the first time I've ever really had to interact with people on a daily basis like I have this year.

**Greg** - Do you guys have duties that you divvy out in your room? I know I have to pick up after my roommate sometimes. Is one of you guys a slob?

**Jamie** - They picked an odd bunch. They picked a neat freak and a Democrat along with a Republican. I'm the Democrat.

**Jason** - Yvonne [Foster, coordinator of Disability Services] has said more than once that we could probably write a screen-play.

**Greg** - So it's kind of the "Odd Couple" sort of thing?

**Jason** - Yeah, the modernized version. There is one aspect of me that can get really scary really quickly, particularly if I do not take my Ritalin - my emotions.

**Jamie** - We saw one case of that recently.

**Jason** - Oh yeah.

**Greg** - What was that?

**Jason** - Housing.

**Greg** - Well once everything kind of cooled down, were you able to sort of discuss things and sort things out?

"... a lot of people just don't think before they speak, or just don't comprehend what's going on ... But he stands up for himself pretty well."

**-Jamie Moore**

**Jamie** - Yea, we sorted it out really quickly.

**Jason** - ... In 10 minutes we had the whole thing sorted out.

**Jamie** - Yeah, we saw he was mad. But that's the way to do it; you just have to talk it out ...

**Jason** - It is almost impossible not to [talk it out] or you get somebody that you really don't want to put up with at all. Basically, my face is all my cards put out on the table ...

**Greg** - What would you say is the main aspect of Asperger's that affects your personal life?

**Jason** - The social, easily. The transitions I've had to make.

**Greg** - And is it just in kind of learning social situations and norms, or is there more to it?

**Jason** - I think my friend described it as just the difficulty in learning the nuances if you will. When people are trying to get you to be quiet and you don't even know it - because they're trying to give you subtle hints so that they don't sound like they're being rude or anything. Like the looks that you're supposed to pay attention to.

**Jamie** - The winks and the secret hand ges-

tures.

**Jason** - Oh yes.

**Greg** - Have you guys sort of developed a working system of communication over the years? Have there been things that you've kind of told him to lay back on, or him with you, or what?

**Jamie** - I would say so. Yeah, we've gotten more comfortable with saying what needs to be done if it's a problem ...

**Greg** - Do you ever find it difficult if Jamie tells you to back off on something or anything like that?

**Jason** - One of my strong suits is my ability to accept constructive criticism ...

**Greg** - As far as ... while you're in classes, what kind of reactions have you experienced from people - either from professors or students?

**Jason** - I wouldn't know how to describe that. Some professors have had some difficulty with me because I am very outgoing when I shouldn't be in terms of what I should do in class and what I shouldn't do. I've tried to get things under control, and I think my professors have been very understanding of who I am.

**Greg** - Is that pretty much across the board?

**Jason** - Whether here or at the community college, if the professor needed to see me because I was being loud or something, I would just try to talk to the professor and try to keep things under control.

**Greg** - Jamie, is it tough for you to see people taking him the wrong way? ...

**Jamie** - Yeah, I mean, a lot of people just don't think before they speak, or just don't comprehend what's going on ... But he stands up for himself pretty well.

**Jason** - I stand on my own ground. If you're going to do something to offend me, you're going to know it. (laughs)

**Greg** - Are there any times where you've seen Jason's communicating style sort of causing some of these subtle misunderstandings we've been talking about?

**Jamie** - Yeah, I would say so. Like the talent show.

**Greg** - Yeah, I was there at the talent show.

That was understandable though, right? You didn't know why your friend wasn't being judged.

(He didn't know that the last act wasn't going to be judged based on an emotional aspect of the performance.)

**Jason** - It wasn't exactly explained *why* they weren't judged. It's like: whoa, hold the phone. Who's cheatin' who outta what? ... My first instinct was to go to bat for one of my friends. I'm not putting up with this lying down; I'm going to bat -

**Jamie** - By "go to bat" he means: come out swinging before getting to the plate.

**Greg** - Yeah, it got all quiet and then all of a sudden Jason yells, "BULLSHIT!"

**Jamie** - I wasn't there, but as soon as he got back, he was like, "I made a mistake."

**Jason** - Oh yes. I intended to find out exactly what was going on, when and who. I did not want to let her get cheated ...

**Jason** - He just said, "The last two acts are open-ended." And that's all he said. He just basically left it open-ended. And it's like: wrong thing to say.

**Greg** - It seems to me that that's just a clear-cut example of a social norm that's not so easy to understand - just one of those nuances we were talking about earlier.

For More Information on Asperger's, contact Yvonne Foster in the Disabilities Services office, or check out:

\*Online Asperger Syndrome Information and Support, [www.udel.edu/bkirby/asperger](http://www.udel.edu/bkirby/asperger)

\*The Center for the Study of Autism, [www.autism.org/asperger.html](http://www.autism.org/asperger.html)

\*The Asperger Syndrome Coalition of the U.S., [www.asperger.org/index\\_asc.html](http://www.asperger.org/index_asc.html)

Web site information courtesy of "Disability Compliance for Higher Education," Volume 9, Issue 5.

**Thoughts from the editors**

Hello again, LVC community. After a two-week break, we are back to printing as usual. However, I know both Lisa and I are quite happy we only have two more issues to go. We will be printing on April 22 and possibly on April 29. Then, time for everyone to study for finals. And, of course, it will finally be time to graduate!

This week, be sure to read the feature on Asperger's Syndrome; it brings new light to a special type of student on campus. Also be sure to read over the Cherry

Blossom Festival schedule on page 2 so you do not miss any of the activities. Though the weather is miserable this week, it is looking great for the weekend!

In sports this week, Jenny Larson, sports co-editor, gives us another glimpse of life in New Zealand with her spelunking adventure story. Tennis is chasing perfection with an 11-0 record.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the Cherry Blossom Festival (or, as most of us like to call it, Spring Arts). Don't forget to be smart and stay safe!



## The Misanthrope: a preview

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Are you looking for a tragic romantic comedy about Parisian elites? Well, look no further. The Wig and Buckle Dramatic Society will present French playwright Molière's *The Misanthrope* to the campus and community, opening tonight and extending to next weekend.

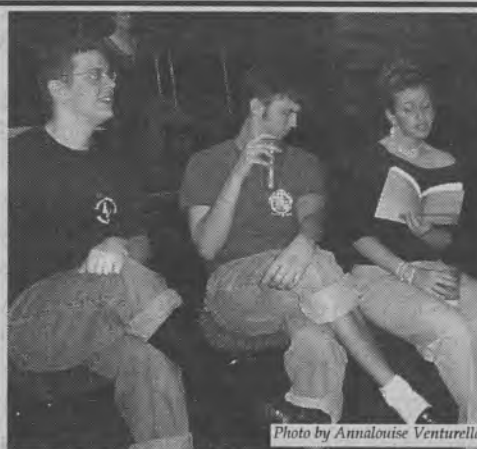
Though the comedy was originally written in the mid-1600s, director Tyler Bower said this version will take place in the early 18th century, but reflect the styles of classical theater. "[Classical theater] is a style that's not usually done," Bower said. When asked last week about how well everything was coming together, Bower said, "Rehearsals are going very well." He also said that the cast is going above and beyond their required work by coming to practices early and staying late if needed.

The play is about Alceste (senior Nick Curry), a brutally honest and outspoken man, who lands himself into trouble when he harshly criticizes a poem written by one of his friends, Oronte (senior Rob Fissette). As a result, the offended poet then threatens Alceste with a lawsuit. Alceste's much more sincere friend, Philinte (senior Robb

Stech), also believes his criticisms were too direct and that Alceste should have been nicer toward Oronte. Philinte, unlike Alceste, would rather tell a small lie so as not to hurt someone else's feelings.

Meanwhile, Alceste is trying to win the heart of the conceited Célimène (junior Bree Smith). Alceste wants her to realize that he is the one and only man for her and that she should turn away her other suitors, Oronte, Acaste (sophomore Myles Kitchen), and Clitandre (sophomore James Glasbrenner). Célimène, however, enjoys the attention she gets from all of her male guests and attempts to keep her true feelings about each of them to herself. At the same time, Alceste is unknowingly being admired by Célimène's cousin, Eliante (freshman Katie McCarty).

Arsinoé (junior Meghan Kurta), a supposed friend, confronts Célimène about her behavior. As the two women get into an intense discussion about it, Alceste discovers something about Célimène and one of her suitors. Will Célimène's secret cause Alceste to rethink his feelings about her? Will any of the other suitors succeed in winning over Célimène's heart? Or will Eliante reveal her true feelings about Alceste to him? To find out what happens, come and see the play this weekend or next weekend.



In a scene from Molière's *The Misanthrope*, James Glasbrenner, Myles Kitchen, and Bree Smith portray themselves as Parisian elites. The play opens tonight in Leedy Theater at 7:30.

*The Misanthrope* opens tonight, Thursday, April 15 at 7:30 in Leedy Theater, followed by two encore performances on Friday, April 16 at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 17 at 2 p.m. If you cannot catch the play this weekend, then come either on Friday, April 22 at 7:30 p.m. or Saturday, April 23 at 2 p.m. Please note that this is the revised performance schedule. To reserve tickets, call 867-6162 or e-mail the Wig and Buckle Dramatic Society at wigandbuckle@yahoo.com. Tickets for LVC students are free. For LVC faculty and staff members, as well as non-LVC students and senior citizens, tickets are \$5. Regular adult ticket admission is \$10.

## Writing center honors workers

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On Wednesday, March 24, the Writing Center honored its senior tutors in a brief ceremony in the Faculty Club of the Mund College Center.

Words of congratulations and certificates were offered to the Writing Center seniors by Associate Dean Barbara Vlaisvljevic and Writing Center Director Walter Labonte. With tears in his eyes, Professor Labonte said, "This is about pride, professionalism, respect, imagination, determination and excellence. That's who you are."

The program was put together by Professor Labonte, Sarah Butler and Ellen Schin, Writing Center Administrative Assistants, and Aubrie Ensinger and Becky Thorne, chairs of the Writing Center Hospitality Committee.

The Writing Center will be accepting applications until April 15 for tutors interested in tutoring for the 2004-05 academic year.

## Gattaca: a clever movie with a more-than-clever title

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Your average science-fiction film sets out to predict the technological innovations of the future with often distracting depictions of laser weaponry, flying cars, human-looking robots and voice-activated everything. However, *Gattaca* is not your typical sci-fi motion-picture. *Gattaca* doesn't waste time trying to show off high-tech futuristic gadgets; it sets out with other goals in mind - to establish character development, to convey ideas with intellect and to provoke thought - and this high tension and intriguing feature accomplishes all of these goals with ease. *Gattaca* is a sophisticated sci-fi that will surely both retain your interest and have you on the edge of your seat throughout it.

The film opens with the heading "in the not too distant future," and this statement is beyond realistic - some day this film's fictional ideas may in fact become non-fictional realities. We are currently coming closer and closer to a world where we can control a human being's gender and physical characteristics in order to perfect them to a predetermined liking before they are even born; this is exactly the scary and quite

possible premise of *Gattaca*.

In a time where children come special-ordered and genetically fine-tuned at a price, and where normal conception is seen as hasty and uncaring, there is no longer discrimination based upon ethnicity and race, but rather on the flaws in one's genetic code. The more money a couple has reflects how perfect of a child they can custom order; this brings new meaning to the Burger King slogan "Have it your way." A specific genome could earn a genetically altered human being an elite occupation, while those conceived by non-artificial means (a.k.a. the "invalids"), are not genetically qualified for the more prestigious vocations. However, there are those rare occasions when an invalid poses as something he/she is not - a valid.

Vincent Freeman (Ethan Hawke) was conceived the natural way and was born with a 99 percent chance of heart problems and a life expectancy of 30 years. Growing up, Vincent was told the only way he would ever accomplish his dream of being inside of a space shuttle was if he was cleaning it for those who are far more genetically qualified. Over time, Vincent showed unrelenting determination to meet his goal of working for the Gattaca Space Center and

getting the chance to explore the wonders of the universe. Eventually, an opportunity arises of which Vincent takes full advantage. Jerome Marrow (Jude Law) was a genetically-altered walking success; that is, until an accident left him paralyzed and placed him in a wheelchair. With Jerome feeling unable to contribute to society, he offered his name and life to Vincent. Vincent gratefully accepts the opportunity and with Jerome's helix in hand, he takes on Jerome's name and persona and lands a job at the Gattaca Space Center. But, in a world where "false ladders" are easily discovered - a world where the slightest trace of a flake of skin or even an eyelash could be detrimental to one's cover - it is beyond complicated to pass as someone else without leaving behind something to trace.

Vincent's determination to make it into space is the absolute core of this film. The other secondary and tertiary storylines - the murder mystery and the slight romance - only add to the intensity of Vincent's commanding willpower. The drive of Vincent, the determined "God child" who knows that he could be caught at any given moment, creates for some highly suspenseful scenes. His struggle depicted in the film is parallel to the most memorable underdog

protagonists who all had to overcome their own strife when the odds were heavily against them.

Hawke's acting is superb; he exudes equal amounts of anticipation and intellect - enough to have you both working your brain and biting your nails. Jude Law and Ernest Borgnine also make for two of the film's additional notable portrayals. Uma Thurman plays Hawke's love interest in the picture, and although she didn't get as much screen time as one would think, she did get a real-life love interest out of making this picture; this film was the start of a long-lasting Hollywood relationship between Hawke and Thurman that predictably ended in divorce.

Even though this film falls a hair short of being a "great" film, *Gattaca* is still worth your time and money. It may be a tad bit predictable, and it may contain too many voice-overs and clichés and not enough political background, but nonetheless it is still a picture that is worthy of note. Any picture about genetics that is clever enough to create a title that is made up of each of the abbreviations of the four nitrogenous bases which make up a DNA strand (adenine, guanine, cytosine, and thymine), easily earns my recommendation.



## Historical feature: Astor Theatre to make comeback

*This week's historical article was printed on Sept. 4, 1991. The Allen Theatre, a well known main street attraction, hasn't always been around. Before things bloomed into what we have now, MJ's housed an appliance store and the Astor Theatre was a dilapidated eyesore, as the pictures clearly show. Today, MJ's is rated one of the best coffee shops in Central Pa., and The Allen draws viewers from all across the county. The following story details the beginnings of the Annville hangout students, faculty and residents have grown to love so much. Read on for more information.*

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By Michelle G. May

It seems as if everyone will benefit from Skip Hicks's dream - or at least those who are in Annville or willing to travel here.

Hicks, former teacher at Milton Hershey School, and new owner of the defunct Astor Theater on Main Street, has been working on renovating the theater into something that will add a little culture and entertainment to Annville.

According to Ian Bonner, LVC alumnus of '91, Hicks wants to make the theater "state of the art." Bonner is the public relations consultant for Hicks during the renovations of the theater, touring various theaters to develop ideas on everything from sound to appearance.

Although no concrete programming has been set, the theater may show second-run films, which have only been



released in major theaters for approximately one month. However, the Astor's screens may feature foreign and classic films. Hicks and Bonner may work with LVC and local school districts in showing educational films as well.

Dates for opening have yet to be established; however, Bonner suggested that the theater may open sometime after the New Year. Plans have been delayed

due to difficulties in meeting safety and fire codes for the three attached apartments above the theater, one of which houses Bonner and a roommate.

Ticket prices "will be very competitive," said Bonner, adding that prices will not be as high as today's \$7 adult admission.

Although the theater has no aesthetic plans as of yet, everything will be replaced, including a few hundred seats which Hicks had earlier advertised to be given away for free. Bonner indicated that Hollywood memorabilia may adorn the walls or showcases in the hallway that leads to the theater.

While the one-screen, 350-seat theater will attract many college students, as well as Annville residents, Bonner said that the Astor has no plans to compete with the LVC Student Council movie series.

"These [movies at the Astor] will be things that just came out in the theater, while Student Council shows movies that are about to or have just come out on video," explained Bonner.



The Astor in its prime in the early '70s.

In order to help in the decision of which types of movies to present, decoration of the theater and general public sentiment about the theater, Bonner said he hopes to circulate a survey around campus and in Annville in the near future.

Although the theater is still in its early states of planning, Bonner said that one thing is definite: "It [the theater] will really add something to the two besides another pizzeria."

## What's happening at Lebanon Valley College

Courtesy of College Relations

**Freedom Week at LVC to Support Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Community:** Freedom Rings at Lebanon Valley College, a support group for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) community and their friends, is sponsoring Freedom Week, a weeklong series of mostly free, public events on campus from Saturday, April 17, to Friday, April 23. During that week, students have arranged for speakers, a Day of Silence, discussions, and a benefit screening of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* with a live cast.

The first event will honor the newly-established Gay-Straight Alliance of Cedar Crest High School for "outstanding support of the Lebanon County GLBT community." The Alliance is the first high school organization to support GLBT secondary students in Lebanon County. Freedom Rings will present the group with the first Wheeler Freedom Award on Saturday, April 17, at a Freedom Rings alumni luncheon at noon in Kreiderheim on the LVC campus.

The award is named for Jim Wheeler, a gay student at Cedar Crest, who committed

suicide in 1997 at age 19 after suffering harassment. His life, art and poetry were the subject of an award-winning movie, *Jim in Bold*, produced by LVC Trustee Malcolm Lazin '65. Attending the luncheon will be Wheeler's sister, Elizabeth Wheeler, a student at Cedar Crest, who was instrumental in starting the support group, and his mother, Susan Wheeler, who has become an outspoken advocate for GLBT youth. She will speak on campus on Tuesday, April 20 at 7:30 p.m. in Faust Lounge of the Mund College Center.

Also on Tuesday, at 11 a.m., Cynthia Schneider, the legal director of the Center for Lesbian & Gay Civil Rights, will speak in Faust Lounge. She will discuss gay marriage and other current GLBT issues, both in Pennsylvania and around the country. The organization Schneider works for seeks equality for GLBT people through legal services, education and policy reform.

On Wednesday, April 21, the campus will hold its second annual Day of Silence. The event is part of a national effort on the same day in more than 2,000 K-12 schools, as well as at nearly 500 colleges and universities. During The Day of Silence, students,

faculty, staff and administrators vow to remain silent for nine hours to echo the silence felt by GLBT people. Silence is used as a tactic to recognize and protest the discrimination and harassment—in effect, the silencing—that GLBT students and their allies experience.

On Thursday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m., members of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of Parents, Families and Friends of Gays will be on hand to share their stories in Faust Lounge of the Mund College Center.

The week's events will conclude on Friday, April 23, at the last minute before midnight, with a screening of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*. The movie experience will be enhanced by the cast of Sweet Translucent Dreams, which will bring their *Rocky Horror* stage play to the Allen movie theatre. Tickets are \$2 for all students and \$5 for others. Proceeds will support Freedom Rings at LVC. No rice, toilet paper or other props are permitted to be thrown in the theatre.

**Artist to Decode the Multi-hued Meaning of Color:** An Atlanta artist who has challenged racial perceptions by exhibit-

ing a dozen detailed photos of the various shades of human skin, will speak at Lebanon Valley College on color and the complex ways that it shades our opinions. Marcia R. Cohen, a professor at the Atlanta College of Art, will discuss *Color: The Medium is the Message*, in a free, public lecture on Tuesday, April 13, at 7 p.m. in Miller Chapel, room 101.

Cohen's exhibition, *Color Atlas Project: Skin*, at the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia, was accompanied by a computer program that allowed viewers to suggest names for the skin colors on display. According to the artist, this work explores "the subjective act of seeing, reading, and decoding the illusive nature of color."

Cohen's interdisciplinary approach to color incorporates research from art historians, physicists and psychologists. In her talk at the College, Cohen will use visuals to demonstrate the ubiquitous and influential nature of color. "Color is a primary signifier for cultures ancient and modern," the artist has said, and is not "the exclusive activity of humans."



**LVC's Scores:  
3/30-4/12****Men's tennis:**

3/30 vs. Eastern	W, 5-1
3/31 vs. Juniata	W, 5-2
4/3 at Susquehanna	W, 4-3
4/6 vs. Scranton	W, 5-2
4/8 vs. Moravian	W, 6-1
Record: 11-0	
CC Record: 6-0	

**Baseball:**

3/30 vs. Millersville	L, 3-14
4/5 at Juniata	W, 13-7
4/6 vs. York	L, 6-15
4/8 vs. Susquehanna	W, 8-0
4/12 at Susquehanna	W, 15-5
4/12 at Susquehanna	W, 2-0
Record: 8-12	
CC Record: 5-5	

**Softball:**

3/30 at Delaware Valley	W, 9-1
3/30 at Delaware Valley	W, 2-1
4/6 at Messiah	L, 4-6
4/8 vs. Ursinus	L, 2-5
Record: 7-12	
CC Record: 3-3	

**Outdoor track:**

4/3 vs. LVC Invitational	
4/7 vs. LVC Invitational	
Men: non-scoring	
Women: non-scoring	

**Golf:**

4/2 at Moravian	2 of 8
4/3 at Messiah Quad	2 of 4
4/7 at Elizabethtown	7 of 16
4/8 at Susquehanna	4 of 12

**Coming up  
this week****Today:**

Softball vs. Susq. (DH), 3 p.m.  
M. Tennis at Albright, 4 p.m.

**Friday:**

Baseball vs. Messiah, 3:30 p.m.

**Saturday:**

Baseball at Messiah (DH), noon  
Golf at Glen Maura Invit., TBA  
Track at Messiah, 10 a.m.  
Softball vs. E-town (DH), 1 p.m.

**Sunday:**

Baseball vs. Juniata (DH), noon  
Golf at Glen Maura Invit., TBA

**Monday:**

Baseball vs. Dickinson, 3:30 p.m.  
Golf at F&M, 1 p.m.

**Tuesday:**

Softball at Moravian(DH), 3 p.m.

**Track fares well in pair of home meets**

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a time of 2:31.2 seconds, while Dukeman ran a 1:10.6 to finish second in the 400 meter dash. Freshman Kodie Morrison recorded to second-place finishes in the 1500 meter run (5:48.7) and the 3000 meter run (13:00.8).

In the field, Stewart finished second in both the high jump (5-0) and long jump (15-3.75), and also won the triple jump (33-3.5). Sophomore Bonnie Susan placed third in the long jump with a 15-2.75 leap, while senior Lisa Landis took third in the triple

jump behind a 32-3.5 effort. Senior Amy Wagner won the pole vault, clearing 9-8, while freshman Mandy Warner cleared 8-8.25 for third place.

Freshman Amy Hartman won the shot put for the women with a heave of 32-2.75. Senior Jamie Moyer (89-7) led a two-three-four finish in the hammer throw with Hartman (88-1) and senior Ashley Kerstetter (82-4), and Warner finished second in the javelin with a throw of 103-7.

The Dutchmen will travel to Messiah on Saturday.

**Tennis looks for perfection**

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The men's tennis team has now won 11 matches in a row and could complete their fourth undefeated conference record in school history with a win over Albright on Thursday.

Their 6-1 win over Moravian last Thursday pushed their Commonwealth record to 6-0, and was their 10th straight conference win dating back to last season. They have already clinched this year's Commonwealth title.

The Dutchmen took the doubles point, while freshman Erik Vargo and junior Zach Cook stayed undefeated for the season with singles wins.

Today's match at Albright was rescheduled from Tuesday. Their non-conference match with Dickinson has been cancelled.

**La Vie editor goes spelunking in New Zealand**

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falls after hatching in the ocean until they found a suitable pool to call home.

After our snack, we were given inner tubes and took flying leaps off a three meter cliff to splash down into Golem's pool of barely-above-freezing water. The long wetsuits were well appreciated, but didn't stop hands and feet from going numb.

Now we were officially "black water rafting," although the part of the underground river we were on had almost no current. We paddled upstream for awhile, laying on our backs and staring at the cave formations on the ceiling and walls. After awhile, we turned off our headlamps and linked together into a chain, so we could float backwards down the river, staring at glowworm constellations as our guide pulled



*Photo courtesy of Jenny Larson*  
The author prepares to descend into Waitomo Cave in New Zealand.

us along.

We abandoned our tubes at a small section of rapids, and continued on along the river, sometimes walking through ankle deep water along the river bed, and other times swimming through pools that dropped down suddenly out of nowhere. Then we started climbing back up out of the depths, first through drier passages with some squeezes that required inching along on elbows and stomachs, and then there were the waterfalls.

A large gush of

water jetted down a narrow opening and spilled off down into the depths. "That's the way out," Doug smiled, pointing up into the plunging water. After a few suggestions on foot and hand placement, he left me to lead the group up through the first set of falls. It's an odd feeling to be groping at the jagged edges of a cave, just narrow enough to reach comfortably across, as a torrent of water is running over your feet trying to rip you back down into the darkness.

At the end of the third set of waterfalls, the rocks seemed unusually light and the water had an odd sort of a glow to it. I was creeping over the rocks toward a bright opening in the wall wondering what the heck was going on, when I realized, slightly mortified, "Oh! It's sunlight!"

**The Valley Tally:  
Denglinger, Rea honored; Golf wins****Denlinger named Commonwealth Player of the Week**

Junior third baseman Craig Denlinger of the baseball team has been named Commonwealth Player of the Week, conference officials announced on Monday. Denlinger had an outstanding week at the plate, going 9-for-14, including 4-for-6 against Juniata with four RBIs and two stolen bases. Against York, Denlinger picked up three hits in a non-conference loss, and went 2-for-3 against Susquehanna with two runs and a pair of doubles.

**Golf finishes fourth at Susquehanna Invitational**

The LVC golf team took fourth out of 12 teams last Thursday at the Susquehanna Spring Golf Invitational. Susquehanna won with a score of 313, with Elizabethtown (314) and Gettysburg (325) also besting LVC's 326. Junior J.D. Byers and senior Adam Demchak each shot 79 to tie for eighth, while junior Ryan Ogurcak and senior Bob Hassler both carded an 84 to round out team scoring.

**Rea named MAC Winter Male Scholar-Athlete**

Senior Jeremy Rea of the track team was named the MAC Winter Male Scholar-Athlete, it was announced April 1. Rea is a music/music education double major, and is a four-year letterwinner for track and cross country. Away from the track, he is also a member of Chamber and Concert Choirs, and a member of MENC.

**Athletes of the Week**

Junior third baseman **Craig Denlinger** hit .643 in three games last week and

earned Commonwealth Player of the Week honors in leading his team to a 2-1 week, including a pair of conference wins.



Junior **Crystal Gibson** of the women's track team won five events - the 100-meter dash, the 200-meter dash, the high jump, and 400- and 1,600-meter relays - at LVC's home meet on April 7.

*Photos courtesy of Sports Information*



## Track teams place well in a pair of home meets

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The Lebanon Valley track and field team dominated in 19 events last Wednesday at the LVC Invitational, with six schools competing.

On the men's side, freshman Alan Newsome tied for first in the 100 meter dash, clocking in at 11.1 seconds, and outright won the 200 meter dash with a time of 22.7 seconds. He also joined juniors Matt Hauk and Mitch Nyman and sophomore Jimmy Buckson in a 44.7 second win in the 4x100 relay.

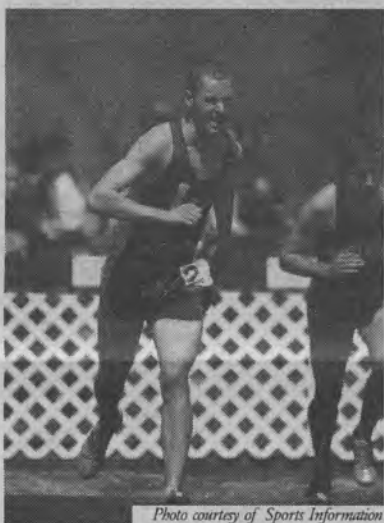


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**Senior Jeremy Rea won the 800-meter run in 2:03.1 April 7.**

Freshman Bryon Laird broke the tape in 15.7 seconds to win the 110 meter hurdles, followed closely by Hauk at 16.1 seconds. Hauk later took the 400 hurdles in 57.3 seconds, while Laird placed second with a time of 1:03.3.

Laird, Hauk, Nyman and freshman Brian Timchula teamed to win the 4x400 relay, recording a time of 3:42.1.

Senior Jeremy Rea won the 800 meter run with a time of 2:03.1, and later finished second in the 3000 meter run with a time of 9:55.6. Classmate Rob Schaefer ran to a third-place finish in the 1500 in 4:27.8.

In the field, Buckson cleared 13-3.5 in the pole vault to win the event, while Timchula placed second in the triple jump with a 37-5.75 leap. Nyman also recorded a first place, winning the hammer throw with a heave of 110-4.

On the women's side, junior Crystal Gibson won three individual events and helped two relay teams to victory. She clocked in at 13.0 seconds in the 100 meter dash, and 26.6 seconds in the 200 meter dash, and also cleared 5-4 to take the high jump. She also teamed with sophomores LaToya Stewart and Kelly Hilkert and freshman Jamie Reynolds to win the 4x100 in 51.8 seconds. The team of Hilkert, Gibson, Reynolds and freshman Brittany Dukeman was also victorious in the 4x400 meter relay, crossing the line in 4:22.5.

Hilkert also won the 400 meter hurdles behind a time of 1:07.6, and finished second in the 100 meter hurdles, racing to a time of 18.0 seconds. Reynolds added a victory in the 800 meter run with

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## Baseball wins four of five, gets to .500 in conference

### Denlinger's 9-for-14 week leads way for Dutchmen



Photo courtesy of Sports Information

**Junior Ron Weaver smashed a pair of home runs and earned five RBIs in baseball's 15-5 first game win over Susquehanna Monday.**

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The baseball team's bats exploded for a doubleheader sweep Monday afternoon against Susquehanna. The Dutchmen have now won four of their last five games, all of them conference victories.

With those four wins, the Dutchmen have lifted themselves off the bottom of the

Commonwealth standings and now sit in fifth place, just a half-game out of playoff contention with their 5-5 conference mark. The team has won five conference games in a row after losing their first five.

In the first game of the Susquehanna doubleheader, LVC fell behind early before breaking out with a seven-run fifth inning and five runs in the sixth. Junior Ron Weaver homered twice in the 15-5 win to cap off a monster

game that saw him go 2-for-3 with two runs, five RBIs, and a walk. Freshman catcher Richard Schwartz also enjoyed a fine performance at the plate, going 2-for-4 with two runs and four RBIs.

Junior Robert Nordall pitched a seven-inning complete game to earn his first win of the season.

The second game saw quieter bats but some brilliant pitching as freshman Matthew Sanders went the distance in the 2-0 win. Sanders picked up his third win of the year with a two-hit shutout.

LVC got on the board in the third when senior centerfielder Jeff Grieger drove in freshman Dan Kelly to put LVC up 1-0. The Dutchmen doubled their lead in the fourth when Schwartz hit into a sacrifice fly in center to score senior Casey Long.

Neither pitcher would give up another run the rest of the way, and Sanders improved to 3-1 on the season and pushed his season ERA to a team-low 2.22.

The Dutchmen improved to 8-12 overall and 5-5 in the conference with the two wins while the Crusaders fell to 6-16 and 2-10.

LVC was scheduled to play Tuesday at home against Kutztown, but that game was cancelled due to poor field conditions.

The Dutchmen will pick up their conference schedule Friday afternoon with a 3:30 p.m. game against Messiah.

## New Zealand students get a taste of cave diving

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"So you really aren't afraid of much, eh?" our cave guide, Doug, said as he hooked me into some mechanism attached to a rope and, unbeknownst to me, turned off my headlamp. "Hey guys, we're going to do a little test," he said to the group, "so turn off your lights and..." I didn't hear the rest, because as soon as the cave went dark, I was fly-

ing off into the abyss.

All around me little blue-green lights flew past me like the stars on Space Mountain at Disney World. All the sudden I came to the end of the bungee, and I think my feet flew up over my head as I jerked backwards, but I still couldn't see a thing. I sat there for an eternal moment, thinking, "Ok, now what?" before the second guide appeared out of nowhere and brought light into the world as she undid my harness and let me back down onto

solid rock.

After abseiling 45 meters down a tomo, a spiraling cave shaft formed by water flowing down cracks in the limestone, and now sailing down the zip line, I was now well below the New Zealand topsoil somewhere inside the 50 kilometers of subterranean passages that make up the Waitomo Caves.

As I sat beside the cave wall and waited for the rest of the group, I marveled at those little spots of light, also known as

glowworms, spattered across the ceiling of the cave. This species of glowworm, unique to New Zealand, uses bioluminescence in its larval stage to attract insects brought into the caves by flowing water. A long chandelier of extremely thin sticky threads hang down around the glowing worm to trap its food.

Once everyone was down the line, we had some tea and 'bikkies' and were introduced to Golem, the resident six-foot freshwater eel. Golem, and the

other eels we encountered in the cave, swam up rivers and water-

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## Cherry Blossom altercation sparks chaos and confusion

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Early Sunday morning, two men were arrested and police from three separate counties arrived to help with crowd control at a Cherry Blossom Festival gathering between Hammond and Keister halls.

Robert Pierson, 24, of Levittown, and Matthew Harwood, 23, of Morrisville, were arrested on charges of criminal attempt to cause a riot, aggravated assault on a police officer, simple assault and resisting arrest. Harwood was also charged with making terroristic threats. Neither are LVC students or alumni.

In addition to the official record provided by the ATPD and LVC administration, videos taken by LVC students and witness reports at the time raise questions about the events and what actually happened.

Throughout the course of the incident, another 15 individuals, some LVC students, were also arrested, although their names had not been released by the Annville Township Police Department by press time. They were charged with violations including public intoxication, underage drinking, disorderly conduct and drug violations, said Annville Township Police Chief Michael Burdge.

Burdge said the department received a call from LVC Public Safety at approximately 2:10 a.m. Sunday morning, advising them a fight involving two men believed at that time to be students was occurring. At least three ATPD officers responded to the area of North College and East Sheridan avenues, said Burdge.

The officers said at least two people violently resisted arrest, and it took five officers (ATPD and Public Safety) to get one of them into custody, said Burdge. He added that the five officers were ATPD officers Shawn Boyer and Toby Pokrop, himself and Public Safety Officers Al Sutcliffe and Adam Gingrich.

According to the police report, Pierson and Harwood were taken before District Justice John Arnold and placed in the Lebanon County Correctional Facility on \$25,000 cash bail. Reports indicate the two met bail and were released.

The police report also states, "during this time, a large group of students began to gather in the area and were estimated to be around 200-250, most of whom were or had been drinking alcohol." It added that several subjects were heard chanting and encouraging Pierson and Harwood to continue to resist arrest.

According to Tom Hanrahan, director of College Relations, the students were not chanting to cause a riot. He was also quoted in Tuesday's *Patriot-News* saying students told him the crowd did not encourage the two to resist arrest.

Greg Stanson, vice president for enrollment and student services, corroborated Hanrahan's information via e-mail. "I am pleased with the number of communications that we have received from students indicating that they were not supportive of the combatants involved in the Saturday night incident," he said. "This reinforces my belief that our students are eager to respect the values of our campus community."

At the same time as the arrest of Pierson and Harwood, Burdge made the decision to issue a signal 13, meaning a request for immediate assistance from any available officer in the area, due to the large number of people gathered and concerns for the well-being of township residents and students. "One or two people in a fight in a large group could have incited bigger things," said Burdge.

Approximately 40 officers from 20 different sites in Lebanon, Dauphin and Lancaster counties arrived on campus in response to the signal 13.

According to Stanson, he received a call at about 2:15 a.m. from Al Yingst, director of public safety, asking that he return to campus because several officers were coming to campus at Burdge's request. Stanson arrived on campus about five minutes later and spoke with Yingst, Burdge, president of the Annville Township Board of Commissioners Kyle Smith and the residential life staff on duty throughout the night, he said.

### Video shows fight

A video taken by senior Anthony Pace early Sunday morning shows the fight involving the two men. In the video, the apparent fight consisted of a single shove,

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Top, people enjoy the festivities on Sheridan Avenue on Saturday. Bottom, Wyld Stallynz performed outside of Mund College Center during Lebanon Valley College's annual Cherry Blossom Festival.

## Professor terminated after unspecified incident

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Dr. Griffin Hathaway, former assistant professor of political science, has been terminated from his position effective immediately, college officials said Wednesday.

Dean of the faculty Stephen MacDonald said in a written statement that he was not able to provide details behind the termination due to it being a college personnel matter.

"The College has concluded that it is in the interest of the credibility of its academic program that Prof. Griffin

Hathaway not complete the classes he was teaching in the spring semester," MacDonald said in the statement.

MacDonald said he met with each class Hathaway was teaching to convey the message to every student affected. The chair of the History and Political Science department, Dr. Rebecca McCoy, has either assumed responsibility for the classes or has assigned them to other faculty, MacDonald said.

"The students in these courses have been assured that they will be able to finish their work for which they will earn appropriate grades and academic credit," he said.

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## Scuffle with police leads to campus lockdown

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followed by a few bystanders attempting to break things up. The crowd gathered between Hammond and Keister halls then began chanting "asshole," apparently toward the two as they were led away by LVC Public Safety officers toward the field behind Shroyer Health Center. The video, taken from atop Hammond Wall, showed that the crowd did not follow the group. As the officers moved the two men toward the corner of Sheridan and College avenues, police began to arrive. It was not clear from the video who initiated the altercation between police and the two men.

According to the video, those involved in the altercation were at no point surrounded by a crowd as some reports have said.

Sophomore Mark McGuire, a resident of Sheridan East, saw the police arrive on the scene and began taping from the front porch of his house. He described police cruisers coming up Sheridan and College avenues at high speeds, nearly taking out the barriers set up for the daytime activities. Eventually, he said, he and his housemates were told they would be arrested for being outside.

"At that point, we had no idea what was going on," said McGuire, who described students as cooperative. "The second they asked us to go inside, everyone did."

"We were not trying to harass students," said Burdge. "We felt we had been very courteous" by asking people to dump their alcohol rather than citing everyone for violating Annville's open container policy. "We were trying to provide a visible deterrent to the drinking," he said. If students ran from the police, resisted arrest, or were staggering or doing anything abnormal, then they were arrested, while those who were compliant were not arrested, added Burdge.

"I'm not against spring arts, I'm just concerned with the way alcohol is treated," Burdge added. "The issues need to be addressed from the administration of the college, and then we will step in." Burdge said that the ATPD received about 100 calls, mostly complaints, across the three days of the festival, which is about half of their call volume in a typical month.

### Campus locked down

In addition, the campus was locked down for safety reasons, meaning that no students were allowed to leave their dorms, said Burdge, in an attempt to control the environment and the situation. "We put an end to the gathering," said Burdge. "We were trying to squash any serious potential problems."

The only force used was to physically put Pierson and Harwood in custody, Burdge said, and added that no clubs, mace or shots were used.

"I was told by college staff that LVC students went immediately into the residence

halls when requested to do so," said Stanson.

The lockdown lasted approximately one hour to ensure the safety of all parties, Burdge added, and then the police left; the whole incident lasted about an hour and 20 minutes.

"Throughout the entire time I was present we were in constant contact with the police and, in fact, of the police officers who came to the campus, most remained in the area of the Shroyer Health Center on a stand-by basis," Stanson added.

"Obviously, the prime combatants in this issue were not LVC students, but the publicity generated by this incident is a reflection on our entire community," he continued.

In Tuesday's *Patriot-News*, Hanrahan noted that the spring arts festival has been held at LVC since the early 1970s, and that this is the first time an incident of this nature has occurred.

"I am confident that extensive conversations will be held regarding the future of the festival and related activities," said Stanson. "I welcome the opinions of all of the campus community regarding future festival events. We will be conferring with students and staff regarding their thoughts."

Burdge offered his thoughts on the festival, saying, "the only thing I might recom-

mend is to get rid of the night activities ... but that is up to the powers that be. We will work with the administration and come up with options [for handling the festival in the future].

"The spring arts festival should be continued to some extent," Burdge concluded. "It should be recognized for what it was truly intended to be - a celebration of the liberal arts."

### Reaction

Reaction from Student Government came at their meeting Monday night. In meetings with college administrators, outgoing President Melissa Knoll, a senior, said it seemed the administration understood that the problem was not caused by students.

"No one was annoyed at the students," Knoll said during the meeting. Junior Drew Jenkins agreed, saying that "the problem is more with outside guests."

Knoll also said that the deans are not planning on eliminating the festival next year. Incoming government president Rocco Pastorella felt that the incident should not tarnish the reputation of students. "I don't think it's fair to let two bad eggs ruin a tradition," he said.

## Finances concern CBF committee

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In addition to a tarnished image due to Saturday evening's scuffle, the Cherry Blossom Festival finds itself in financial trouble after this year's weekend. According to one festival organizer, changes may be in store as a result.

Budget figures given to *La Vie* showed that the festival finished around \$3,500 in the red for 2004, largely due to poor attendance at the night concerts and decreased income from vendors. Cherry Blossom's income for the weekend fell nearly \$10,000 below projected totals, as they brought in \$31,423. The deficit is nothing new for the festival committee.

"In years past, Cherry Blossom has had huge deficits," said committee treasurer and vice president Justin Engle, a junior. He says the college allows them to carry debts of up to \$10,000 over to the next year.

Poor wristband sales for the weekend's marquee events, the nighttime concerts in Arnold, were the single biggest contributor to the shortfall. Organizers sold only 298 student wristbands at \$10 a piece, versus 650 a year ago. Engle felt that a price increase was the biggest factor in poor night concert

attendance, but responded to student criticism towards the lack of a big-name band by saying the logistics of getting one are beyond the organizers' scope.

Andrew WK, a band that had been rumored to be playing months before the festival, was, Engle said, far too expensive to bring in. The festival would have had to take out a \$10 million insurance policy in addition to additional security and metal detectors.

As a result of this year's financial and organizational troubles, Engle says changes may occur. A name change back to the familiar Spring Arts moniker isn't out of the question, and Engle is a supporter of such a change.

"We miss out on the arts we used to have before," he said, referring to the juried art exhibit that was once the centerpiece of the weekend. The change to the Cherry Blossom name also meant moving the festival ahead a week, cutting out the art exhibits. Next year, he hopes to limit the night bands to one night with a band people know of, and try to bring back the craft vendors during the daytime. Overall, though, Engle is pessimistic on the festival's long-range future.

"I think support is slipping," he said. "The community just doesn't want to step foot on this campus anymore."



# 'Winks' and 'secret hand gestures' — Part II

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*Editor's note: The first part of this story ran in last week's issue. The participants in the conversation are students Jason Porta, Jamie Moore, and La Vie features editor Greg Couturier.*

**Greg** - From what I know of Asperger's, it's not something that people have known a whole lot about until recently.

**Jason** - That's what I said about the physician [Jason's doctor]. I mean, we're talking maybe five years ago that he attended this conference. I think the world needs to know exactly what Asperger's syndrome is, and that it's right in front of them and they don't even know it.

**Greg** - What would you say is your biggest strongpoint, your biggest strength?

**Jason** - Math.

**Jamie** - He's a crazy math student. We have other students on our floor knocking on the door asking for help. We're thinking about setting up a small room, in the room, for just his tutoring sessions.

**Greg** - Yeah, you could even charge.

**Jason** - We could have a little green light saying "available" or "unavailable."

**Jamie** - But he doesn't want to charge people. Tell him what you always say.

**Jason** - I feel that one of my responsibilities is to use the talent I have to help people get through the things that they can't. I feel that's one of my goals in life - that God gave me this talent, and I intend to use it - to basically lift everybody else on my shoulders.

**Greg** - Just from your perspective, what

kind of support and understanding do you think colleges should supply for students with Asperger's?

**Jamie** - Disabilities Services is very good here. Very top quality. They do a wonderful job of getting you what you need in order to be on the same playing ground as everyone else. I didn't know much about Asperger's, and at first I was like, "What the?" But then I got to know J-Man.

**Jason** - And the rest of the dorm as well ... It's not some rare disability that you're never going to come in contact with.

**Greg** - What have you guys learned from each other in the past year - things you might not otherwise have learned?

**Jason** - I guess the thing is ... that I'm basically almost growing up alongside everybody else.

**Jamie** - Life throws you a curveball and you can make spaghetti.

**Jason** - (laughs) Yes.

**Jamie** - That didn't even make sense, and you agreed with it.

**Greg** - I think people are so tired of hearing "lemons for lemonade" that they're willing to hear any other food substitute.

**Jason** - I just think it's been a really neat experience. When we were talking about housing, I just felt like I didn't really want things to change. I felt that things were going well enough that I would still like to be in the picture. And that I seriously don't know how I would have adjusted to life at college if I didn't have someone very understanding like Jamie as my first roommate.

**Jamie** - That should be written on a Hallmark card, that's really good.

**Greg** - So do you guys see this relationship

you built kind of carrying on into next year? Are you guys going to try and hang out?

**Jason** - I'm hoping that we essentially have the same group to eat dinner with, and just kind of hang out on Friday nights.

**Greg** - Jamie, from your experience with Jason, do you think this will sort of change the way you think of people with disabilities or Asperger's in the future?

**Jamie** - It has educated me about Asperger's. I'll definitely start not judging people before I get to know them.

**Greg** - Are there any other things either of you have on your mind that you just think people really need to know about Asperger's?

**Jason** - All I can say is, if something doesn't quite seem right, don't be afraid to ask the person what's going on - if everything's OK. If you notice something odd, try to find some polite way - maybe just one on one - (and) ask the person what's going on. Try to find a polite way to dig a little deeper. Maybe you'll find out something that you never really expected to know.

**Greg** - Yeah. Absolutely.

**Jason** - Admittedly, sometimes I set myself up for that by vocalizing things as strongly as I do. It puts some people dead-set against my interests. And it's just like two different forces that just -

**Jamie** - Like plates shifting -

**Jason** - Tectonic plates.

**Jamie** - Shifting and creating mountains.

**Jason** - Most of my life I've had difficulty making friends. Until high school. Should I tell this story?

**Jamie** - Does it involve nudity?

**Jason** - No. It's my favorite story. I'm telling it. I remember I used to get invited to

birthday parties - just like everybody else - and I saw a group of people dancing to "You've Lost that Loving Feeling" by the Righteous Brothers, and I tried to join their circle. Found out it was the members of the football team. I turned around, and slowly walked away. Maybe 45 seconds later, a good friend of mine taps on my shoulder and is like, "Enter the circle Porta, you've been named an honorary member of the football team." I was viewed that highly for my excellence in math and other subjects that the athletes at my school were that accepting of me. I was thrilled, and I'm still thrilled about it to this day. One of the nice things about my high school was that there was no line between the academics and the jocks.

**Greg** - It seems to me like that's almost applicable to, you know, disabilities and no disabilities. It's just the way you think about it. Jocks and academics, disabilities and no disabilities - it's all the same. If everyone had the right mindset and education about things, everyone could be accepting.

**Jason** - Yeah, I can see that being a good analogy.

Whether it is through dissolving social barriers, making new friends or working with professors, it seems as though Jason is beginning to feel at home at LVC. Open minds and open hearts from everyone can go a long way toward understanding each other. Discovering the meanings behind those social norms that sometimes can seem as baffling as "winks and secret hand gestures," to steal Jamie's words, isn't always easy. Still, the J-Man persists.

## SAGA organizes fund-raiser for Lebanon library

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Students Acting for Global Awareness (SAGA) is organizing a fund-raiser for the Lebanon Community Library during book buy-back. There will be a donation box in the college bookstore on April 30 and May 3-6 for students to contribute.

The Lebanon Community Library's computer network, which contains the library catalogue and monitors book checkout and return,

needs to be replaced. The computers and network, which were set up in 1992, are outdated. Because the system is DOS-based, it is not compatible with newer computers.

According to Jayne Tremain, the Director of the Lebanon Community Library, the network is "dismally obsolete. It breaks down a lot. We lose connections almost every day. And when it's down, it may stay down for hours." When the network crashes, librarians have to record patrons' names and book barcodes by hand and enter the data in the system when it comes back up.

"Funding for the library has been cut, and they haven't been able to raise all the money they need for new computers and a new system," said Kate Ruhl, a member of SAGA and organizer of the fund-raiser. "Since

our college is in Lebanon County, I thought it would be a good way for LVC to contribute to the community."

Due to the state budget crisis, state funding for Pennsylvania libraries has been reduced by 32 percent, and Lebanon County has further cut funding by 5 percent. The Lebanon Community Library needs \$175,000 to purchase 30 public access computers and new software. So far, library representatives have raised \$130,000 through mail campaigns, personal requests, grants and through lobbying for legislative funds.

"If everyone donates only \$1, that would really make a difference," said Ruhl. The goal for the fund-raiser is \$500.

## Security Log

Information courtesy of Public Safety

\*On Monday, April 12, a Lebanon Valley College maintenance vehicle was hit on Summit Street. Investigation continues.

\*On Friday, April 16, a student's windshield was damaged in the Derickson Hall parking lot. Investigation continues.

\*From Friday, April 16, to Sunday, April 18, Public Safety responded to a number of alcohol-related incidents, suspicious persons and an assault on campus. Public Safety also assisted the Annville Township police with a number of complaints within the township.



## Mindwalk: a walk worth taking

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*Mindwalk*, the final feature of this year's Science and Public Policy Colloquium film series, was the only selection on this year's list that I knew virtually nothing about. This is definitely not a film that most of mainstream America is familiar with, even though it touches on all of our country's issues – both political and ecological.

If you want to obtain a copy of this "lost" or "hidden" picture, good luck – it is currently available only on VHS format (not DVD) and is very hard to come by due to its lack of popularity. If you can come across a copy of *Mindwalk*, dust it off and give it a chance. *Mindwalk* is, just as its title claims, a walk of the mind, and it truly is one of the most thought-provoking and stimulating pictures I have seen to date.

*Mindwalk* is a trip into the minds of three individuals: a politician, a poet and a physicist. Jack Edwards (the politician, played by Sam Waterston) just recently came up short on his presidential campaign. After being defeated in the U.S. election, Jack contacts an old friend named Thomas (the poet, played by John Heard) to meet him in France for a day trip in order to escape the monotony of politics and his D.C. lifestyle. Jack and Thomas travel together to the secluded and scenic medieval islet of Mont St. Michel. There, they meet Sonia (the physicist-turned-philosopher, played by Liv Ullman) and engage in a developing three-way conversation discussing everything from politics and philosophy, to sub-atomic physics and ecology.

*Mindwalk* is a classic example of what is called a "conversation" film. The characters literally just walk around and talk with each other for the entire length of the film. With that being said, the film has to rely solely on its intelligent and enlightening discourse, and it is written well enough that its words do not come off as being over-the-head, dizzying or pompous. The

discussion is abstract and the rhetoric is intellectually intriguing, but not so much that you need to have a dictionary nearby in order to grasp the poetic dialogue.

This 1991 limited release was obviously not made to achieve big box-office numbers, but rather for the sole purpose of opening up the viewers' minds by trying to expose them to a whole new way of thinking. *Mindwalk* delves into commentaries on global warming, ozone depletion, deforestation, water pollution and littering, and how they affect the world on a political and metaphysical level. The three characters discuss various generalities of Western thought and Descartes, human nature and intervention, the role of the individual and the systems theory.

The acting throughout this picture is absolutely superlative. The three main actors do an excellent job of portraying the characters' convictions and opinions with heart and emotion. Ullman is intelligent and illuminating. The bearded Heard (better known as Mr. McAllister from *Home Alone*) does a wonderful job playing this artistic and yet slightly comedic role. Also, Waterston fits the political stereotype to the tee with his Stephanopoulos hairstyle and his Dukakis eyebrows.

*Mindwalk* is a quiet and reflective journey that allows your mind to literally walk – wandering within its uncharted caverns. As long as you can sit through a ton of political, social and ecological rhetoric, you can appreciate the imagination and the sublime sense of remedying the status quo. There may be no action in this film whatsoever, but there surely will be some action associated with your neurons being stimulated by this absolute mind-tripping, brain-bender of a film.

I would have to agree with Jack's closing opinion of the conversation: "Even the parts I didn't understand felt right." This film may be nothing but profound psycho-babbling, but it is truly a cerebral hidden treasure of a film that may change the way you see the world. *Mindwalk* is, without a doubt, a walk worth taking. (\*\*1/2 out of \*\*\*)

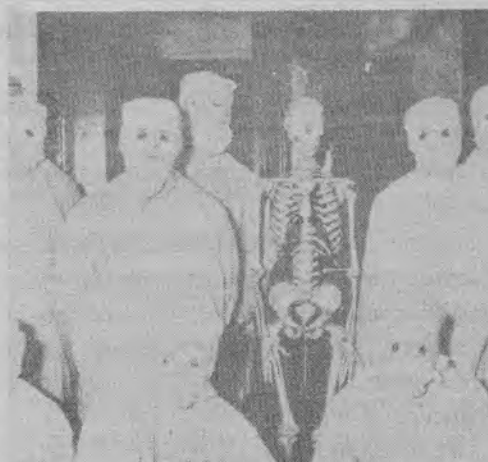
### To all LVC Students:

**The staff at Facilities Services wishes all the students at Lebanon Valley College a great summer. We would like to say goodbye to all the seniors and wish them luck in their future endeavors. Also, a big "Thank You" to all the students who worked for Facilities this past year – each of you were a huge help, and we were glad to have you on our team.**

**Your friends,  
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Left, "Snow job" of the Administration Building in 1961. Right, members of the 1918 Death League.



## A history of traditions, rituals and pranks at the Valley

*The excerpts in this week's historical article were part of a longer piece printed on Feb. 19, 1991. It features a few of the traditions and pranks at LVC throughout history, highlighting the comic and creative faculties of LVC's students in the past. From a man-made ice wall in front of Humanities which stopped classes, to sharks on a flagpole, the following events and traditions seem to have been some of the most memorable ever at the College. Read on for more information.*

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There has always been a rich sense of tradition at Lebanon Valley College. Our school has a long history of rituals, scandals, and humor. Although we generally consider ourselves to be more daring than our predecessors here at LVC, history proves otherwise. Here are some of the pranks and other extinct traditions of Lebanon Valley College.

The Administration Building not only weathered a fire, but also a considerable amount of pranks. After a snowstorm in the winter of 1961, a few students gathered in the cafeteria. They decided that it would be a shame to waste all that snow. So, through word of mouth, much of the campus began to roll great snowballs, apparently for snowmen.

Then, all the snowballs were brought to the Administration Building and piled until the doorway could no longer be seen. And, if that weren't enough, buckets of water were poured on the snowpiles, which became icewalls. Needless to say, classes were cancelled.

The next pranks never cancelled any classes, but were disruptive, nonetheless. There is a way to rig the bell of the clock tower to ring endlessly until a maintenance man has

to climb the tower to fix it. During one graduation service, the bell tolled more than a hundred times before it was fixed.

Some other interesting facts:

Outhouses were "borrowed" from around town and placed in the quad each homecoming for many years.

Automobile tires were placed around the flagpole with a challenge issued to the maintenance department to remove the tires without cutting them. Maintenance took the challenge and removed the tires by constructing scaffolding around the pole.

Biology students would string their dissected cats and sharks up the flagpole.

During the early 1970s, streakers abounded on campus.



Dorm roofs were used as golf courses, as students would drive in the present direction of the Arnold Sports Center.

Turkey Hill has a giant promotional cow which is displayed in front of their stores from time to time. On more than one occasion, she has made her way to our campus to visit.

All of the forks and knives in the cafeteria disappeared once. Only when a college official checked his sagging car trunk did he discover their location. It's a shame he was in Baltimore when he discovered this.

These are just a few examples of how our predecessors gave entertainment to the otherwise humdrum rural life at the Valley. So, the next time you think of complaining how boring it is on campus, just look back at the infinite possibilities...



## Cherry Blossom Festival "Scandal": The sober reveler's view

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I will tell you immediately that I was part of the minority that was sober for the entirety of the Cherry Blossom Festival. I am also a freshman, and have no concept of what Cherry Blossom was like last year, and what Spring Arts was like before that. I was looking forward to Cherry Blossom weekend; seeing my favorite LVC bands performing (you know who you are), the dunk booth, tie-dyeing, good weather, and just having a good time during what would otherwise be a stressful opening weekend for *The Misanthrope*.

I would also like to take time to point out that I am from northern Delaware, home of the University of Delaware, a huge party school of about 18,000 undergrads, compared to a paltry 2,000 (at most) here. It was living near the college town/city of Newark (the college owned about 75% of it) that I had my first encounters with how city residents hated college students. But the residents of the city of Newark know the importance of the college to the city's well-being, both socially and commercially, something I have yet to see from Annville toward LVC. From what I have seen and heard, they regard us as a total nuisance, when, correct me if I'm wrong, we supply most of Annville's income going to the Allen and Mj's, Turkey Hill and Wal-Mart.

Anyway, I enjoyed the daytime activities of the festival very much, but owing to the fact I am in the show, I didn't get to see the night bands over in Arnold. Instead I walked back to my dorm in Funkhouser, passing the "gathering" between Keister and Hammond. Since I don't drink, I really just stood there and

watched a while— I was amused. Then I left. I didn't see the fight myself, but what I heard I didn't like.

I don't think the incident was handled appropriately by the police or the media. The police had no right to put in their police report that "most of [the students] were or had been drinking." There is no way to prove that. And also, it would have been so much easier to tell the RAs that a lockdown had gone into effect before they started threatening and arresting people. But why a lockdown? You would think something really dangerous was occurring, like a bomb threat. Also, were that many reinforcements really necessary? I commend Public Safety for their actions, but I cannot see any good reasons to justify Annville Police calling backup from Lancaster and Dauphin counties. Apparently a call went out asking for immediate assistance from all on-duty officers within a certain distance. When police hear that, they don't think it's a fight with bystanders, they hear it and think something much more severe has occurred. Hence the apparent police panic. I also feel media sources that incorrectly reported the incident and assigned blame to the students should be reproached.

Lastly, I would like to say I hope this incident isn't the demise of the Cherry Blossom/Spring Arts Festival. It was a good time sober, a chance to have fun and enjoy spring. However, I think it is high time for Annville to lighten up, accept their biggest consumer group, and not blow everything so out of proportion.

## A critical look at Cherry Blossom weekend events

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All I can say is the editor in me wishes greatly that last week was the final issue of the paper ... I look at my complete oblivion of Monday morning and think, can't I just go back to that? Yes, Monday morning. I had no idea anything had happened on early Sunday morning until Monday morning. Yes, I was on campus the entire weekend. How did I have no idea? If you could answer that, I'd give you a prize ... I even walked by the so-called scene of the crime about an hour before all hell broke loose, and I thought, wow, it's nice to see so many people hanging out and having a good time. Little did I know ...

Though I could definitely go on for many pages, I'll stick to my biggest gripes about this entire debacle. First of all, it infuriates me that the official police report labels the group gathered to be "a large group of students... estimated to be around 200-250, most of whom were or had been drinking alcohol." Okay, I may be only a senior in college, but even from a journalistic perspective, there is no way you can assume the group is entirely students. Yes, it occurred on a college campus, but I know I definitely saw many people on campus that were community members and guests and visitors, *not* students. More importantly, the two men listed in the police report as those arrested were *not* students either. They were not even alumni or affiliated with the school in any way. And, as far as I'm concerned, unless the police did breathalyzers on the entire crowd, they have no right to assume most were or had been drinking.

Secondly, the mention of "several subjects were heard chanting and encouraging the subjects to continue to resist arrest" in the police report seems to be a bit exaggerated to me. From all of the students I've talked to, this was most definitely not the case – perhaps one or two individuals were doing this, but that does not mean the crowd was encouraging a fight or getting ready to riot.

Third, the media did a wonderful job of eating the police report's wording right up and making us as a campus community out to be something we definitely are not. Though I know some media outlets did twist the facts, others used the information directly from the police report, so even though it is not entirely

accurate, it was the official account they were supposed to use.

Was there drinking this weekend? Yes. Was there underage drinking? Yes. Is this abnormal? No. If you can find me a college campus where there isn't drinking of some sort on any given weekend, I'll be impressed. LVC has never been, and for that matter will never be, a "party" school, but with all the hype this week regarding drinking, I can't help but speak my mind and say I fully believe our campus community drinks and parties much less than it did four years ago. I can remember gatherings in dorm rooms any night of the week my freshman year. People would just get together, drink, play cards and hang out, etc., no matter what night of the week it was. Things rarely got out of hand, and students had a good time. Was there underage drinking? Of course! Remember, this is a college campus! Now, whether it is because of the current student body, college policies or even stricter township laws, these types of gatherings are at a minimum, if at all. What I find interesting is how the community seems to feel drinking is even more prevalent now than in years before. Simply from observation I feel Spring Arts four years ago was much crazier than the "Cherry Blossom Festival" this year ... But, what do I know?

Since I did not actually witness the event (half of me wishes I did, the other is happy I did not), I can't entirely judge the actions and reactions of the police community. However, from the accounts I have heard, I feel there was a definite overreaction and then a great lack of communication between the numerous officers. I realize the safety of everyone is the number one priority, but I think there are also a good way and a bad way to achieve that objective.

To me, this is the icing on a four-year-layer cake. The reports of this so-called "riot" are ridiculous. I think it goes to show once again that the townspeople and township look at us as the enemy, and this gave them the opportunity to prove it.

I've been gathering facts since I first heard what happened, so trust me, I've heard every rumor and the confirmations or denials of them. Taking an overarching look at everything, I have to say I'm sorry that a few non-students gave a terrible name to what was otherwise a nice weekend with wonderful weather.

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## Cherry Blossom "no politics" policy causes controversy

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I chose not to participate in this year's alleged Festival of Blossoming Cherries for one reason, which I will get to from the start of this article. I want those who will view my points with contempt to perhaps understand why I feel the way I do. I also hope my detractors can at least get their facts straight when they do attack the premises I make.

I desperately wanted to get a table at the Cherry Blossom Festival for a friend of mine, Russ Diamond, who is currently running for the 101<sup>st</sup> Pa. House as a Libertarian. Russ is an Annville resident and an upstanding citizen and I thought that the CBF would be a perfect place for him to meet and greet Annville residents and local students who might be interested in getting to know him.

I put a letter under the door of the CBF committee requesting a table for Russ, saying we'd be happy to pay any expenses the same as any other vendor or club that had a table. In response, I received this email from the Treasurer and Vice President:

"In line with Cherry Blossom Festival's commitment on being a politically free identity, we hereby deny your request for a table at the festival. Cherry Blossom Festival is neither the place nor time to have political candidates come and speak. It is also not in the interest of Cherry Blossom Festival, an identity of Lebanon Valley College, to stage or allow a single runner for a political position. However, if several political runners approached Cherry Blossom Festival, we would deny them as well."

"Your request is denied and will no longer be considered. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please

feel free to contact me via email."

Well, I didn't see any point of contacting him because the e-mail seemed to lay everything out pretty clearly, but I did speak with the nameless entity and asked who had made the decision to block me. He replied that "it was just one of our policies." Fine, no problem. No politics at the CBF.

What I found offensive was the belittling attitude of the e-mail and the fact that I had apparently committed a sin by trying to bring, GASP, politics into the sacred Spring Arts Festival. (For all intents and purposes, I use the terms interchangeably, since changing a name doesn't change reality. Even the door of the CBFC's room on the bottom floor of Mund still lists them as the Spring Arts Committee!)

I railed against the actions the CBFC took against me on my radio show for two weeks. I discussed why I thought that a liberal arts school like Lebanon Valley was EXACTLY the place for such political dialogue. I am always amazed by the political activeness of foreign students when compared to American ones. We don't compare, and we certainly can't compete with foreign students when it comes to actively participating in the democratic process.

The CBFC deliberately stifled political dialogue and the democratic process at LVC by preventing Russ Diamond from having a table. They did it because they didn't want to offend anyone and didn't want to rock the boat that is political consensus in this country. All I can say is Seig Heil.

I did not participate in this year's CBF or Spring Arts or whatever out of protest. I didn't care whether one person's absence actually affected the festival or not. I just felt disgusted and personally offended by the treatment I received. So I stayed off campus and let the weekend

pass and I even got some homework done.

Then I came back, oblivious to what had transpired over the weekend.

According to the *Lebanon Daily News*, two LVC guests started a fight in which an LVC security guard and three police officers were attacked, probably for trying to break up the fight. Forty officers from three counties responded to the alleged "riot" and locked down the campus. This was much worse.

Did the police respond with undue measures? Probably. Did they keep students from getting killed or seriously injured? Yes. I think the presence of forty officers was unnecessary given the nature of the fight, and the lockdown was as well, but it is all too easy to armchair quarterback exactly how the police should have responded. I think that every LVC student should thank the thin blue line for keeping a bunch of idiots from destroying a peaceful and beautiful campus that fosters intellectual, moral, and philosophical growth.

I think the visitors in question are guilty and received only what was fair and by the law. I will not try to excuse their juvenile behavior.

But there is another culprit to blame. The CBF or Spring Arts has been known as a drinking festival for years. Here I must clarify. I am not a prudish Bible thumper who thinks alcohol is the devil. What I do believe is that alcohol should be consumed IN MODERATION. I like having fun, and I like to drink. But I don't purposefully try to get myself sick when drinking for reasons that are all too obvious to anyone reading this.

I suppose my message is that the planning and the organization of the Cherry Blossom Festival must change. On one hand, the CBFC stifled political dialogue and on the other hand created an obvious opportunity for totally reckless

behavior. To put it succinctly, the powers that be seem to believe that politics are dangerous and offensive, but that public drunkenness and violence are completely normal.

I understand that the CBF will continue after I graduate in May. I am glad to know that the good aspects of the CBF will stay in place for the good of the college community. But I strongly urge the student body, the faculty, and the administration to act to keep the CBF fun and safe. I have heard many students confess that they think the closed container provision of the CBF should be ended. I think I can agree with that, given the container rule directly encourages such overconsumption of alcohol.

But the problem is really much broader than that. As a Libertarian, I strongly advocate personal freedom. Students should be able to drink and they don't need to be treated like children by school authorities or by the police. But personal freedom depends on personal responsibility. In other words, know your limits, and don't exceed them. I think the real answer to the problem of excessive drinking is not a lack of control or a lack of police. The problem is that some students do not police themselves and do not control their own bodies.

Responsibility over one's actions is key to solving the drinking problem, but the other problem requires a bit more introspection. What is the purpose of a college if it is not to encourage political discussion and debate? I hardly think it fair that students pay so many thousands of dollars to come here, only to receive an adolescent, high school experience due to the negativism of their peers.

If you would like to share your thoughts and opinions, please feel free to call in during "The Liberty Cabbage Show" on WLVC on Friday.

## Editors defend festival

This week's issue is by far the most newsworthy of the entire year. As editors, we both had mixed feelings about the entire situation. It is safe to say we would have preferred a simple last issue of our career; however, we feel the truest version of the stories need to be told.

In light of all of the articles featured this week, we would like to express our feelings as an entire staff that the weekend should not be judged by the events of early Sunday morning. The weather was wonderful and the bands and events during the day were entertaining and well-attended.

More coverage would have been included of these events if the investigation of the few problems of the weekend had not taken up so much space. Sadly, we were constricted and had to choose our articles carefully.

As a staff, we agree that it is sad that the problems of a few caused such bad publicity for the college community as a whole.

With that said, we say goodbye to LVC and *La Vie Collegienne*. Though we know we are no where near even the level of other college papers, we hope you feel we've improved the quality of *La Vie* this year!

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### LVC's Scores: 4/13-4/19

#### Men's tennis:

4/15 at Albright L, 3-4  
4/18 vs. Wilkes\* L, 3-4

Record: 11-2

CC Record: 6-1

\* = CC Semifinals

#### Baseball:

4/13 vs. Kutztown cancelled  
4/16 vs. Messiah W, 9-7  
4/17 at Messiah L, 2-5  
4/17 at Messiah W, 5-3  
4/18 vs. Juniata L, 1-4  
4/18 vs. Juniata W, 4-1  
4/19 vs. Dickinson W, 10-6  
Record: 12-14  
CC Record: 8-7

#### Softball:

4/15 vs. Susquehanna W, 2-1  
4/15 vs. Susquehanna W, 3-0  
4/17 vs. Elizabethtown L, 3-4  
4/17 vs. Elizabethtown W, 8-5  
Record: 10-13  
CC Record: 6-4

#### Outdoor track:

4/17 at Messiah  
Men: 6th of 11  
Women: 5th of 10

#### Golf:

4/13 at Alvernia cancelled  
4/14 vs. LVC Tourney 6th of 10  
4/18 at Glen Maura 11th of 12

### Coming up this week

#### Today:

Track at Penn Relays, TBA  
Softball at Wilkes (DH), 3:30 p.m.

#### Friday:

Baseball vs. E-town, 3:30 p.m.  
Track at Penn Relays, TBA  
M. Tennis vs. MAC Individuals

#### Saturday:

Baseball at E-town (DH), noon  
Golf at MAC Championships  
Track at Dickinson, 10 a.m.  
Softball vs. Albright (DH), 1 p.m.  
M. Tennis vs. MAC Individuals

#### Sunday:

Baseball vs. F&M, 1 p.m.  
Golf at MAC Championships

#### Monday:

Softball vs. King's (DH), 3:30 p.m.

#### Tuesday:

Baseball at Ursinus, 3:30 p.m.

## Track teams compete at Messiah

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man Amy Hartman placed eighth with a heave of 32-5.

The men's team also made a good showing throughout the day. Junior Matt Hauk ran a time of 16.38 seconds to finish fifth in the 110 meter hurdles, and later placed fourth in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 58.97 seconds. He also led off the men's 4x100 relay team with freshmen Alan Newsome and Brian Timchula and junior Mitch Nyman, which ran a time of 43.59 seconds to finish third.

Newsome also took seventh in the 100 meter dash, racing to a time of 11.53 seconds, while senior Jeremy Rea ran a time of 9:52.71 in the 3000 meter steeplechase for a fourth place finish. Senior Rob Schaefer took sixth in the 10,000 meter run with a 36:09.76 clocking, and later ran the 5,000 meter run in 18:12.51, finishing sixth.

Nyman took fifth place in the hammer throw with a heave of



Workers installed new sod at Arnold Field Tuesday. The new surface will fix drainage problems.

107-2, and junior Jon Stiner had a heave of 153-4 in the javelin to place fourth. Timchula also added an eighth-place finish in the triple jump with a leap of 37-11.

The Dutchmen will compete at Dickinson this weekend, and will travel to the MAC Championships at Messiah Thursday, April 29, through Saturday, May 1.

## Softball splits double-header against E-town

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The Lebanon Valley College softball team improved its conference record to 6-4 after splitting a doubleheader with Elizabethtown Saturday. The

Dutchmen dropped the first game 4-3, but rallied for an 8-5 victory in the nightcap.

E-town scored all four of its runs in the first game off a pair of home runs, and despite a late three-run rally by LVC, held on for their second conference win of the season.

Kelly O'Toole suffered her first loss of the season on the mound, dropping to 4-1 after giving up nine hits and three earned runs.

The second game, though, was all about freshman standout pitcher Jenn Roberts. Roberts picked up the victory with a complete game and five strikeouts, but was instrumental at the plate as well. She swatted two hits in as many at-bats and drew two walks, scoring four runs and driving in one.

Freshman Amy Batz also had a



Freshman Jenn Roberts gets set to pitch in this file photo.

## The Valley Tally: LVC to host softball tourney

### Golf finishes ninth at F&M tournament

The LVC golf team finished ninth out of 16 teams at the Franklin & Marshall tournament Monday. Freshman Steve Thomas shot a team-low 82, while junior J.D. Byers (83), junior Ryan Ogurcak (85), and senior Bob Hassler (89) rounded out the team scoring at Bent Creek Country Club. The team finishes up its season Saturday and Sunday with the MAC Championship Tournament at Shawnee-on-Delaware Resort.

### College set to host Commonwealth softball tournament

Lebanon Valley College will once again host the MAC Commonwealth Conference softball tournament. The four-team championship will take place April 30 and May 1, with all games being played at the LVC Softball Park. The top four teams in the Commonwealth qualify. Lebanon Valley is currently in second place in the conference behind nationally top-ranked Moravian.

## Athletes of the Week



Freshman Jared Smith of the baseball team went 4-for-5 with two runs and three RBIs in LVC's 10-6 non-conference victory over Dickinson Monday.

*Photos courtesy of Sports Information*



Sophomore LaToya Stewart leaped 16-3 1/2 in the long jump to win that event Saturday at the Messiah track invitational. She also took second in the triple jump and third in the high jump.

solid game, going 3-for-4 with a run and an RBI. Sophomore Lisa DiCristofaro added in two hits and drove in two.

The Dutchmen started by giving E-town a 4-1 lead in the third, but exploded for four runs in the bottom of that inning to take a 5-4 lead. LVC added three more insurance runs in the fifth and sixth innings thanks to a

Roberts RBI and junior Missy Ulrich's double into the gap.

LVC's win put them a half-game into second place in a tight Commonwealth contest that has five teams fighting for three play-off spots behind 10-0 Moravian, the nation's top-ranked team.

The Dutchmen return to action today with a doubleheader at Wilkes at 3:30.



## Almost perfect: Men's tennis finishes up 11-2

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The men's tennis team fell just short of completing its fourth-ever perfect team season over the weekend, falling to Albright in their regular season finale and getting bounced from the MAC playoffs against Wilkes at the Lebanon Valley College Tennis Courts.

Both matches were decided by 4-3 scorelines. The Albright loss snapped a 10-game conference winning streak dating back to 2003.

Despite the loss to Albright on



Junior Ryan Wendell couldn't hold on at No. 1 singles against Wilkes, losing 6-0, 6-1.

April 15, the team had already clinched the Commonwealth regular-season title and were set to face off against the MAC Freedom's second-seeded team, Wilkes, in the conference semifi-

nals.

It was LVC's sixth playoff appearance in the past eight years, and they had reached the MAC title match the past two seasons.

That match would turn out to be one of the most dramatic of the season for the Dutchmen. It all started with LVC getting swept at doubles for the first time all season to give Wilkes an early 1-0 lead.

The Dutchman came back to take a 3-2 lead, however, after wins by senior Andy Platt, freshman Stuart Hartman, and junior Zach Cook at the fourth through sixth slots. The three each improved impressive season records, with Platt at 12-1, Hartman at 11-2, and Cook at 11-1.

With junior Ryan Wendell dropping No. 1 singles, the Colonels tied it up at three with Hassan Shah's victory over senior Chris Keeney 7-5, 7-5 at No. 2.

It came down to undefeated freshman standout Erik Vargo in the final match for the Dutchmen, competing at No. 3 against Keith Kopelcheck. The back-and-forth match went to three sets, but Vargo eventually lost 3-6, 6-3, 6-2 and Wilkes took home the 4-3 win. Vargo finished the season at 12-1 overall.

The Dutchmen still have another team match left, against Franklin & Marshall on April 21. MAC Individual Championships will start this weekend at DeSales University and Moravian College.

## Baseball continues climb up Commonwealth table

### Three weekend wins vault team into playoff race



Junior Craig Denlinger continued his stellar play with a three-hit complete game on the hill Sunday against Juniata.

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It's hard to believe that just three weeks ago, the LVC baseball team was staring at a 3-10 overall record and an even more daunting 0-5 conference mark.

For any doubters, it must be equally hard to believe that, in that three-week span, the team has ripped off a 9-4 record - eight of them conference wins - and

has vaulted into the fourth and final playoff spot in the Commonwealth.

The Dutchmen pushed their record to 12-14 overall by winning two of three on Sunday and Monday against Juniata and Dickinson.

In the doubleheader against Juniata, LVC split the pair on an unseasonably warm day. The Dutchmen dropped the first game 1-4, but reversed the scoreline in the second game, winning

4-1 thanks to the hot bats of junior Scott Montgomery and senior Jeff Grieger. Each went 2-for-3 with a run, while Grieger also picked up two RBIs.

Grieger picked up his 100th career hit in the second game, on a triple hit deep to the center field wall.

LVC held a 4-0 lead before Juniata gained a consolation run in the sixth. Junior Craig Denlinger, who has also had a hot bat in recent weeks, pitched his way to a three-hit, complete game gem and the win, his second of the season.

The Dutchman bats lit up on Monday against Dickinson, where they won 10-6. LVC smacked 17 hits and managed to score in every inning but the first.

Every starter got at least on hit for the Dutchmen, as freshman Jared Smith led the way with a 4-for-5, two-run, three-RBI performance. Grieger stayed hot with three hits and a pair of RBIs.

Freshman Joe Raws got the win in relief of classmate Sean Frailey, who pitched five innings but earned a no decision. Sophomore Brian McFarlane picked up his first save of the season, spending the last two innings on the mound and giving up just one hit.

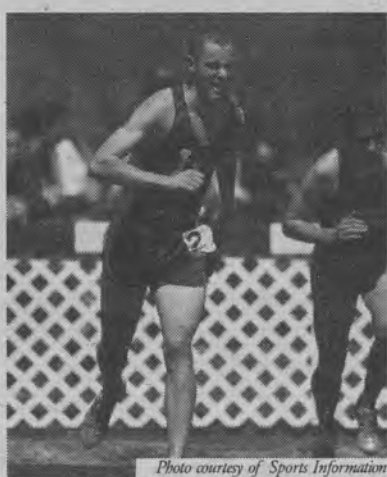
Next up for the Dutchmen is a critical home conference game Friday against Elizabethtown. The first pitch is scheduled for 3:30 p.m.

## Track teams perform well at Messiah Invitational

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The men's track team tied for sixth out of 11 teams and the women's team finished fifth out of ten teams at the Messiah Invitational on Saturday.

Sophomore LaToya Stewart led the women's team with a stellar day, winning the long jump with a 16-3.5 leap, and taking second in triple jump (34-10.5) and third in the high jump (4-10). She



Senior Jeremy Rea was third in the 3,000-meter steeplechase.

also led off the 4x100 relay team including sophomore Kelly Hilkert, freshman Jamie Reynolds and junior Crystal Gibson, which placed third with a time of 51.26 seconds.

Gibson also won the high jump, clearing 5-4, and finished second in both the 100 and 200 meter dashes, with respective times of 12.81 seconds and 26.36 seconds. Hilkert added a second-place finish in the 400 meter hurdles, crossing the tape in 1:06.82, and ran a time of 17.92 seconds

in the 100 meter hurdles to finish fifth.

In the field, senior Amy Wagner won the pole vault with a height of 10-0, while classmate Lisa Landis took fourth in the triple jump with a leap of 32-9.5. Freshman Mandy Warner placed third in the javelin with a throw of 118-10, and seniors Ashley Kerstetter (95-5) and Jamie Moyer (91-6) finished fifth and eighth, respectively, in the hammer throw. In the shot put, fresh-

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